

# WANTS MONEY FOR ARMAMENT

Secretary Moody Asks Congress for a Large Appropriation for Navy.

## ARMOR MAKERS NOW HURRYING

The Manufacturers Are Promising To Increase Their Output—Need Money for the Cuban Naval Stations.

(Special by Scripps-McRae.)  
Washington, Dec. 24.—The navy department is rushing the new ships to completion with such rapidity that Secretary Moody has transmitted to congress an urgent request for an appropriation of \$2,000,000 for armor and armament to be made without delay. The last appropriation for armor and armament was based on the amount expended a month last year, which was \$739,708.

To Increase Output.  
Since July this item has amounted to \$1,109,980 a month, and after Jan. 1 the manufacturers of armor have notified the department that a material increase is to be made in their output.

Secretary Moody also has asked for an immediate appropriation of \$200,000 to enable payment to be made to Cuba for the land acquired by the United States for the Guantanamo naval station and to increase the same within a wall or fence, according to the terms of the treaty.

### MAY LOSE CONVENTION.

Chicago Hotel Keepers Propose to Quadruple Their Rates.

Washington, Dec. 24.—Chicago hotel proprietors have answered the charges made to Postmaster General Payne, vice chairman of the Republican national committee, that they are charging exorbitant rates for accommodations during the Republican national convention next June by explaining that rooms which ordinarily are occupied by one person at the rate of \$5 a day, will, during the convention be assigned to four persons at \$5 a day each. This explanation is not entirely satisfactory. Senator Hanna, the chairman of the national committee, has not replied to General Payne's telegram suggesting that the committee consider the matter with a view to taking the convention away from Chicago. Illinois has prevented General Payne expects the protests to be given consideration as soon as Mr. Hanna's health will permit.

### GLASSBLOWERS TO GO.

Skilled Workmen From England Are to Be Deported Under Alien Law.

Washington, Dec. 24.—Secretary Cortelyou has ordered the deportation of the skilled glassblowers from the United States.

### STATE NOTES

Agnes Selz of Antigo pleaded guilty at Wausau of killing her illegitimate child and throwing the body into a lumber yard and was sentenced to the state prison for two years.

Five young men, one of whom was Harry Schreubel of Milwaukee, were made to pay a fine of \$50 and costs for an assault upon a young man named Hopf at Manitowish on Wednesday.

The estate of the late Robert H. Baker, of Racine, worth possibly \$1,500,000, is said to be divided among the heirs, Mrs. C. J. Richards, Edward, Robert, and Charles Baker.

Samuel W. Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, and F. Hopkinson Smith, the author, have been secured as lecturers by the University of Wisconsin Oratorical and Debating League.

Judge Vinje, after hearing arguments regarding the Chippewa Falls street railway controversy, decided that the Chippewa Valley Electric railway company must pay its share of the paving indebtedness, \$7,385, within thirty days.

The executive committee of the state board of normal school regents, Presidents F. H. Lord of River Falls, Frank A. Ross of Superior, and Z. P. Beach of Whitewater, met at Madison yesterday and audited the monthly accounts of the board.

### LOOK FOR UNITY IN CASE OF A NEW WAR WITH SPAIN

Russian States Will Be Armed in Case of a General Conflict.

(Special by Scripps-McRae.)

St. Petersburg, Dec. 24.—The war excitement is increasing in all the Russian states and there are a few who do not have any great hopes that war with Japan can be avoided. The general opinion is that if war came with Japan this would unite Russia behind the czar and then Japan would be destroyed.

Marriage Licenses: Marriage licenses were issued today by County Clerk Starr to Frank A. Schumacher, Spring Valley, and Tillie L. Axt, Plymouth; and Rens C. Morris, Plymouth, and Fanny L. Stewart, Beloit.

Secretary Moody, who was detained at Ellis Island under the alien contract labor law. The men landed at Montreal and were bound for Corning, N. Y. They appealed to Secretary Cortelyou from the action of the immigration authorities and their cause was assumed by a glass manufacturing company of Corning, which, according to the British board of special inquiry, had contracted for their services or had induced their immigration to the United States. The action of the board is affirmed in all the cases, it being held that the company had not shown such diligence in seeking labor in the United States as to justify it in importing men from abroad.

To Pay for Friars' Lands.  
Washington, Dec. 24.—Secretary Root and Shaw had a conference with the president concerning the settlement of the Philippine friar lands question. This government will pay \$1,239,000 to the friars for their interests. This sum is subject to a slight variation on account of surveys. The conference related particularly to the issue of bonds from the proceeds of which the lands will be paid for. Bonds to the amount named as the purchase price will be issued and sold in open market probably within thirty days. The bonds will bear 4½ per cent interest and will be redeemable after five and within thirty years. The lands involved aggregate 391,000 acres.

To Aid Cortelyou.  
Washington, Dec. 24.—President Roosevelt has authorized the appointment of assistant secretary of commerce and labor to Lawrence O. Murray of Chicago, and that Mr. Murray has accepted the appointment. His nomination will be sent to the senate immediately after the holidays. The appointment is made upon the personal recommendation of Secretary Cortelyou, who has known Mr. Murray for many years.

Root Helps Lovers.  
Washington, D. C., Dec. 24.—Secretary Root played the role of matchmaker when he ordered a cable sent to an enlisted man in the Philippines informing him that if he would make application he could have an honorable discharge from the army and return to the United States to wed the woman of his choice.

## DECISION IS TO COME VERY SOON

Report of Commission in Dreyfus Case Said to Be Very Favorable to Him.

Paris, Dec. 24.—The Dreyfus commission today considered the report of Victor Merle, one of the directors in the ministry of justice, and the reporter of the Dreyfus commission, on the evidence submitted by War Minister Andre. The members of the commission say the documents are voluminous and they propose to thoroughly study them, so that a decision is not expected for several days. It is generally supposed that the commission will support Mr. Merle's findings and that they are favorable to Dreyfus.

## MAY APPEAL FOR THE JEWS

Joint Meeting Held in London Today with That Object in View.

London, Dec. 24.—The Jewish Chronicle announces that a joint meeting of the foreign committee and of the board of deputies of the Anglo-Jewish association will be held Dec. 25 to consider the question of making representations to the Russian government through the foreign office relative to the report that fresh anti-Jewish excesses are threatened at Kishinev on the Russian Christmas day. The paper adds that it understands the matter is already engaging the attention of Foreign Secretary Lansdowne.

Italian-Cuban Treaty.  
Rome, Dec. 24.—Sig. Savina, the Italian minister in Cuba, has been authorized to sign a treaty with Cuba similar to that with Mexico.

Paris Bakers to Strike.  
Paris, Dec. 24.—The bakers of Paris and the employees of four other supply corporations have voted to order a general strike.



WAITING FOR KRIS.

# PANIC ON BIG STEAMER

## BOAT SINKS, BUT PASSENGERS ARE SAVED

Erastus Corning, Plying Between New York and New Haven, Ran Onto a Rock Near Norwalk, and Went to the Bottom.

(Special by Scripps-McRae.)  
Norwalk, Conn., Dec. 24.—The steamer Erastus Corning plying between New Haven and New York ran onto Cops rock off Norwalk, this morning, and stove a big hole in its bottom, and sank within a short time. The accident happened at half past one and the passengers, thirty in number, immediately made a rush for the boats. The scene that followed was beyond description. As the boat filled and sank the passengers, many of whom were foreigners, shoved by crew and officers and in a frenzy endeavored to lower the small boats of the vessel. As fast as the boats were lowered they attempted to jump into the boats, pushing the women and children aside. The women were very hysterical and cried and tore their hair. When the boats settled gradually and it was seen it was fast on the rock they became more quiet and order was restored. All the boats but one, containing four women and two men, are safe and this boat it is said has been sighted.

## CHAMBERLAIN HAS ANOTHER VICTORY

Rowland Hunt, Liberal Unionist, Who Made Famous Campaign, Elected.

London, Dec. 24.—Rowland Hunt, Liberal Unionist and a supporter of Joseph Chamberlain's fiscal policy, has been elected to represent the Ludlow division of Shropshire in the house of commons, to succeed Robert J. More, Liberal Unionist, deceased, by a majority of 970 votes. At the last election Mr. More was chosen without opposition, but at the previous contested election his majority was nearly 4,000. The issue was clear cut, and was fought exclusively on the fiscal question.

## COLOMBIAN POSITION DEFINED IN A GENERAL PROTEST

Secretary Hay Has a Protest from the Colombian Government.

(Special by Scripps-McRae.)  
Washington, Dec. 24.—A brief setting forth of the Colombian position with reference to the recognition of Panama as an independent state by the United States is now in the hands of Secretary Hay. It is a forceful protest against the action of the United States and the appeal for the recognition of Panama.

## PUTS A BULLET IN HIS BRAIN

Cashier of a Wisconsin Bank Takes His Own Life.

Neenah, Wis., Dec. 24.—Otto Spengler, cashier of the Bank of Portonville, committed suicide by shooting himself in the head at the summer home of his father-in-law, Silas Butard, last Saturday. His body was not discovered until Wednesday. Spengler was 28 years old. His business affairs are said to be straight in all respects.

Lieutenant Missing.  
Toledo, Ohio, Dec. 24.—Second Lieutenant Floyd C. Miller, second in command of the company guarding McKinley's tomb at Canton, left here on Dec. 5 after a short furlough to rejoin his company. He has not been heard of since.

## ILLINOIS TAX RATE IS LIKELY TO BE 50 CENTS

Advance of 20 Per Cent to Be Made Over Last Year to Replenish State Funds.

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 24.—The tax rate for 1903 will be something over 50 cents on \$100. The tax rate for 1903 will be more than 20 per cent higher than the rate last year, when it was flat 40 cents on \$100. Although the figuring has not yet been done, it is reasonably certain that a rate of more than 50 cents on \$100 will be necessary to meet the expenses of the state for the next year.

The cause for the decided increase in the rate is twofold. First, the general assembly last winter increased the appropriations of the preceding general assembly. Second, the state received \$1,000,000 last year from the federal government, and this amount was applied to the current expenses of the state, decreasing the tax levy in this amount.

Funds in the state treasury at the present time have reached an alarming depression. In fact, it will take considerable skimming on the part of State Auditor McCullough to gather in sufficient funds to meet the obligations of the state between now and the 15th of next April, when the new taxes will begin to come in.

In January and February of the year following a session of the legislature, funds in the state treasury are always at low tide. Next year, however, will find the cash scantier than usual.

There is only one source from which funds can be derived to maintain the state government for the next three and a half months. That is from the various departments of the state government. Several of these departments collect funds which the law provides shall be turned into the state treasury, but up to the present time Secretary of State Rose is the only official who has complied with the law.

Frank Lupton was found guilty of the burglary of the grocery store of John Schreubel at Menasha on Wednesday, Oct. 14, at Oshkosh on Wednesday. David Walsh, the alleged partner of Lupton, will plead guilty.

## PRINCE DIVORCED FROM THE PRINCESS

The Court Dissolves Marriage of the Daughter of Don Carlos.

Draken, Dec. 24.—The court has dissolved the marriage of Prince Frederick and Princess Alicia of Schonenburg-Waldenburg, announcing the decree without explaining the reasons. The proceedings were in entire privacy, though no concealment was made of the fact that each side accused the other of infidelity.

## FIRST HEARSE USED IN CHICAGO SINCE STRIKE

Police Guarded the Funeral Van As Far As the Cemetery.

(Special by Scripps-McRae.)  
Chicago, Ill., Dec. 24.—The first hearse used at a funeral since the strike of the livery drivers began was sent out this morning. Begun was heard on this morning, not in parley with teamsters or strikers or for interference. At the church where services were held armed police were on guard. Pickets remained away.

## Workmen Are Killed.

New York, Dec. 24.—One of the walls of the old Thirteenth Regiment armory building, Brooklyn, fell. Three workmen who were engaged in tearing down the structure were killed and seven others were badly hurt.

## Dies on Train.

Bloomington, Ill., Dec. 24.—Ross Anderson Fast, a consumptive, of Celina, Ohio, died on a Burlington train. The body passed through here en route to his home for burial.

## Baltimore Bank Reopens.

Baltimore, Dec. 24.—The Union Trust company, which went into the hands of a receiver on Oct. 19, has opened its doors and resumed business.

## Dynamite Kills One.

Ironton, O., Dec. 24.—By a premature explosion of dynamite Nicholas Jones was instantly killed. Patrick Stafford was fatally injured.

# SIXTY DIE IN A TRAIN WRECK

Seventy-Five Others Are Badly Injured in Smash-Up.

## THE TRAIN WAS TORN TO PIECES

Engine Sets Fire to the Smoker, Which Is Piled on Top of the Engine—A Scene of Great Confusion.

Connellsville, Pa., Dec. 24.—Sixty-three persons were killed, most of them being roasted to death by escaping steam, and seventy-five injured, many fatally, when passenger train No. 12, the "Duquesne Limited," on the Baltimore & Ohio railroad, was wrecked at 7:30 Wednesday night a mile and a half from Connellsville. The train was torn to pieces, the mail and baggage cars were hurled down a fifteen-foot embankment into the Youghiogheny river, the sleeping and dining cars were thrown part way down the bank and most of them were burned by the fire set by the engine. The locomotive itself was torn to fragments and the pieces thrown into the river.

Many Acts of Heroism.  
Hours were consumed in rescuing the bodies of the dead and the injured victims from the debris. During the greater part of this time nearly everybody able to reach the scene of the disaster had displayed the greatest heroism. Scarcely had the bodies been laid out in rows on the bank, however, when thieves began to rob the dead of jewelry and other valuables.

Baggage-master Thomas J. Baum of Hazlewood proved the archer of the occasion. His head and body were fearfully cut in the wreck, but in the moment of his injury he remembered that westbound passenger train No. 49 was about due. If it ran into the wreckage there would be another catastrophe. He had nothing with which to signal except matches.

Prevents Second Wreck.  
Crawling out from under the debris that imprisoned him for a time, Baum ran down the track, pulled off his coat and stood ready for the approach of No. 49. When he saw the headlight break through the darkness he struck a match, lighted a sleeve of his coat and then waved the flaming garment as a warning to the oncoming engineer.

The signal was seen and heeded. No. 49 stopped within a foot of Baum and within a short distance of the pile of debris. Baum collapsed when he saw that he had stopped the train and rescuers had to care for him. The wrecked train was running east from Pittsburg at a rate of sixty miles an hour. It struck an obstruction of lumber on a curve near Dawson.

Victims Are Roasted.  
Most of those killed were foreigners who were in the smoker, just back of the baggage car. They were literally roasted to death, the baggage and smoker telescoping the engine and immediately catching fire. Many of their bodies, buried in a fire, are lying in the baggage room of the local Baltimore & Ohio depot to be removed to the undertaking shops. The entire population has turned out en masse to assist in caring for the living and in disposing of the dead.

A peculiar feature of the accident is the fact that not a woman was injured except slightly. Lumber Causes Disaster.  
The wreck was caused by the breaking of the castings on a car load of bridge timbers on a west-bound freight train which had passed Laurel Run not more than fifteen minutes before the ill-fated passenger train. The wreck occurred on a curve and it was impossible for Engineer Thornley to see far enough ahead to detect the timbers that had fallen.

The big Atlantic type engine plunged into the timbers, then into the embankment, and the baggage and express cars were thrown into the Youghiogheny river. The smoker followed the engine and landed squarely on top of it. This allowed the escaping steam from the engine to fill the car.

Is Pinned Under Engine.  
The smoker was packed to its utmost capacity and all the passengers were cooked alive. Not a single passenger in this car escaped with his life, and it is estimated that at least forty of the dead were in the smoker. Under his engine lay Engineer William Thornley, mangled almost beyond recognition. It took several hours before the wreck crew was able to remove the engine which plowed his remains under the huge mass of steel.

Ghouls Rob the Dead.  
Hardly had the bodies been removed from the coaches when thieves began robbing the dead of jewelry and money. Special officers were deputized and, with the aid of the Baltimore and Ohio police force and Connellsville officers, the work of the ghouls was stopped. Several persons are under suspicion and arrests will follow.

It is charged that the foreigners who escaped serious injury in the wreck immediately set about robbing their more unfortunate countrymen and the dead as well as injured were robbed of their money and other valuables.

## SHIFTS PORTO RICAN OFFICIALS

W. H. Elliott, of Indiana, Likely to Succeed Alonzo Cruzen, Resigned.

San Juan, Porto Rico, Dec. 24.—A cablegram has been received from Secretary of the Treasury Shaw accepting the resignation of Alonzo Cruzen, collector of customs of Porto Rico. It is believed here that W. H. Elliott of Indiana, commissioner of the interior for Porto Rico, will succeed Mr. Cruzen, and he in turn will be succeeded by Regis H. Post of New York, who is at present auditor of Porto Rico. It is reported that President Roosevelt will permit Senator Beveridge of Indiana to name the new collector.

## POPE GREETS ALL HIS CARDINALS

First Function of the Kind for New Pope Was Held Yesterday.

Rome, Dec. 24.—In his gorgeous throne-room the pope today received all the cardinals and high prelates, and they exchanged the season's greetings. The function was the first of the kind under the present pontiff. Cardinal Oreglia, dean of the sacred college, read a short speech, to which the pope responded. The United States was represented at the reception by Mr. Seton (titular archbishop of Heliopolis of Newark, N. J., and American rector, of the American college).

At the request of the defendants, the federal court at Madison on Wednesday gave Sheriff R. J. McWatty and the six men who helped him break into the Sutter Bros. warehouse last Friday night and carry away ten cases of leaf tobacco, until next Monday to file their answer to the order citing them for contempt.

Shackled with leg irons and attired only in his night clothes Thurlow W. Parker, an alleged forger, who has been eluding the Portland, Ore., police for weeks, walked out of a train and made his escape while Detective Day slumbered in a berth. The officer had left Parker in charge of a porter, who fell asleep.

### SPARKS FROM THE WIRES

The cruiser Buffalo and the torpedo boat Flotilla sailed from Key West, Fla., for San Juan, Porto Rico, on the way to the Philippine Islands.

Crackmen entered the saloon of Harris & Anderson at Elkhorn, Mont., and stole the iron safe, containing \$4,000 in gold coin. The safe was the banking place of men in the mining camp.

One of the walls of the old Thirteenth regiment armory building, Brooklyn, N. Y., fell. Two Italian workmen who were engaged in tearing down the structure, were killed and seven others were badly hurt.

Ethel Penny, a variety actress at San Francisco, Cal., has been shot and seriously injured. Dr. Daniel O'Hare, heavily injured, has been shot by Newman Schubener, an employe in the play where the woman was performing.

Judge Estelle at Omaha, Neb., issued a writ of mandamus directed to Mayor Moore and Chief of Police Donahue commanding them to enforce the law against poolrooms.

Alexander Garretto, charged with the murder of Eli Corti at a riot between anarchists and socialists at Barre, Vt., the night of Oct. 3, was found guilty of manslaughter and sentenced to not less than ten nor more than twelve years in the state prison.

Colonel W. W. Castle, examiner in the appraisers' stores at the Boston customhouse, has been suspended by order from the collector, pending an investigation. It is alleged Colonel Castle has erred in not placing sufficiently high values on imports. His integrity is not questioned.

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# XMAS CHEER THROUGH ALL THE WORLD TONIGHT

Trees Will Be Lighted in the Churches--Many Services Held Tomorrow Morning in Catholic and Episcopal Churches.

Tonight is Christmas eve. Throughout all Christendom the merry-making for the morrow will begin. Trees will be lighted and in churches carols sung and little ones delighted with gifts from that wonder of wonders, the Christmas tree. In some churches the theory of it is more blessed to give than to receive, will be practiced and many a home will be made glad tomorrow with the provisions for the Christmas dinner which would otherwise have been lacking. Tonight is the last night for the hurry and bustle of Christmas shopping, but despite the shortness of the time many will go to their own particular church to witness the delight of the children and hear their sweet young voices sing out the carols of the night and hear the wonderful story of the Christ child born in his lowly manger at Bethlehem.

**The Programs**  
As far as we have been able we have endeavored to print the Christmas programs of the different Sunday schools and churches for tonight and the church services for Christmas day.

**First M. E. Church**  
Special services will be held at First M. E. church Christmas eve, when the following program will be rendered:

Chorus, Sunday school; recitation, May Wright; duet, Marcia and Charles Noyes; recitation, Inez Hoover; class song, Miss Williams's class; recitation, Paul Richards; piano solo, Vito Bishop; song, Francis Granger; recitation, Harriet Bishop; class song, primary class; recitation, Gaylord Bishop; class song, Mrs. Barfoot's class; Christmas play, "Watch in for Santa Claus," characters, Mary Bolton, Mary Granger, Kate Bolton, Harriet Bishop; Hesa Bolton, Vivian Davidson; Nau Cummings, Gladys Rutter; Fred Bolton, Charlie Noyes.

**Court Street M. E. Church**  
Court street M. E. church Sunday school will hold their Christmas entertainment at Court street M. E. church tonight at 7:30 o'clock. The children this year will bring a donation for the needy of the city instead of receiving presents as heretofore. Each teacher has requested her scholars to bring some certain article.

The admission ticket to the exercises will be one potato. Following is the program:

Singing, Joy to the World--Congregation and Sunday School.  
Innovation, Rev. T. Bennett.  
Little children dressed to represent brownies, quakers, farmers, milkers, and dairy maids.  
Song, Nine Little Girls, O Santa Dear Santa, Santa comes in.  
Singing, Willie Shepherds Watch Their Flocks by Night.  
Greeting, by three boys.  
Your Debt of Love--Nellie Joerg.  
Singing, Stanley Harwood.  
Little Angels' Messages--Seven girls.  
In the Manger Cradle--Elouise Hahart.  
Message of the Wise Men--Hazel Katchapaw.  
Solo, The Waifs of the City--Christine Tuttle.  
Recitation--Elroy Munger.  
The Night Before Xmas--Pearl Hoag.  
The Xmas Tree--Mary Curtiss.  
Singing, All Hail To The Power of Jesus Name.

**Christmas Festivities at Trinity Church.**  
At Trinity church the Christmas services will begin with an early celebration of the Holy Eucharist at 6:30, Christmas morning. At this service the altar and choir screen will be illuminated with many candles and Christmas hymns will be sung at appropriate parts of the service.

At 7:30 there will be a plain celebration of the Holy Communion. The full Choral Eucharist will follow at 10:00 o'clock with elaborate music. Beside the Christmas hymns Eyles beautiful setting to the Communion office will be rendered, including the Kyrie, Gloria, Gratia Tibi, Benedictus, Agnus Dei, and Gloria in Excelsis. The organist, Mrs. Doty, will play as a prelude to the service "Fantasia Alla Marcia" by C. E. B. Price.

Mr. J. W. Tipney has contributed to the decorations a most beautiful design, which necessitated much labor and reflects great credit upon Mr. Tipney's skill and artistic sensibilities.

The Sunday school festivities will begin at the 7:30 service Sunday evening which will be a children's service, though their elders and friends will be most welcome. At this service three gold prizes and other awards will be given to those who have won them.

On Monday evening at 7:30 a Christmas Cantata will be given in the Guild hall. This promises to be very entertaining. At the conclusion of the Cantata Santa Claus appears and the distribution of gifts takes place. A hearty welcome to all.

**Congregational Church**  
Christmas services of the Congregational church will be held on Sunday morning next. In come the morning musical numbers, the three choirs, a hundred and fifty voices, will take part. The girls' octette has one particular selection that is very pleasingly rendered. It is hoped that those who attend the service will come early so that the effectiveness of the music will not be spoiled by the seating of late arrivals. The following is the program:  
Morning service, 10:30 o'clock.  
Organ--Come Hail the Day, Howard.  
Carol--O, That Gladdening Story, Macy, second choir.  
Doxology (all standing).  
Invocation.  
Lord's prayer.  
Anthem--Hark, What Mean Those

Holy Voices, Patty Stair.  
Responsive reading.  
Anthem--It Came Upon the Midnight Clear, Scott.  
Scripture.  
Twas Night in Old Judea--Davison, Laurel octette and children's choir.  
Prayer.  
Response.  
Solo--Night of Night, Van de Water, Miss Nott.  
Notices.  
Offertory--Behold I Bring You Good Tidings, Lyles.  
Hymn.  
Sermon--The Moving Star, Benediction.  
Organ.

Evening service, 7 o'clock.  
Organ.  
Carol--Angels Watched the Sleeping Fold, Macy, second choir.  
Primary class Christmas song--Crosby-Adams.  
Responsive scripture, Mrs. W. S. Jeffries' class.  
Christmas hymn--Gottschalk, Henry and Albert Kemmett.  
Recitation, Sherwood Sheldon.  
Recitation--Four boys from Mrs. Farnsworth's class.  
Ring out Christmas Bells--Loud, children's choir.  
Recitation, John Allen Taylor.  
Duet--The Little Christ Asleep, Gabriel; Ruth Soulmán, Margaret Jeffries.  
Recitation--Eleven girls from Mrs. Estes' class.  
Child Divine, Laurel octette, Gow.  
Recitation, Mrs. Craig's class.  
In the Fields With Their Flocks--Hanscom, children's choir.  
Recitation, Elsie Howe and Grace Estes.  
Recitation, Lois Thorne.  
Christmas Bells--Octette, Cantor.  
Recitation, Helen Soulmán, Wilna Hough.  
Recitation, Leah Grote.  
Duet--The Angel, Hahenstein, Mabel Gieser, Roberta Keller.  
Offering, organ.  
Recitation, Agnes Rogers.  
Prayer.  
Blessed Are the Poor in Heart--Octette, Hodge.  
Recitation, Violet Dreyer, Edna Herrmann.  
Savior Again to Thy Dear Name--Octette, Llewellyn.  
Benediction.  
Organ.

**Congregational School**  
The children of the Congregational church will assemble at six o'clock this evening to enjoy their Christmas tree. The exercises will be informal, though there will be a few recitations and musical numbers prepared for the occasion.

**First Presbyterian**  
The children of the First Presbyterian church will sing a cantata "Santa Claus Greeting." Fifteen girls directed by Miss Carrie Baldwin and fifteen boys who have been trained by Mrs. John Rexford will participate and Santa Claus, himself, who until this evening was well known tobacco dealer residing not far from Mineral Point avenue, will appear. The exercises begin at half past seven o'clock and the program will be:

Welcoming Song--Girls' Chorus.  
Signifying Gladness Hoddies.  
We Sail the Sea--Boys' Chorus.  
Waifs of the City--Pearl Baker.  
Indeed We Do--Edith Severhill and Chorus.  
People of Drowsyland--Morley Fulton and Chorus.  
Fairies Song--Twelve Little Girls.  
Star of Bethlehem--Three Old Maids; Mrs. B. Jackson, Miss Mabel Best, Miss Cornelia Reddy.  
Reindeer Horder--Richard Jones.  
Come Santa Claus--Girls' Chorus.  
What Grandmother Says--Miss Edith Wright and Girls' Chorus.  
This Almost Time--Girls' Chorus.  
Jack's Christmas Present--Ronald Aldie.  
Santa Claus' Greeting--S. B. Heddies and Chorus.  
Good Night--Santa Claus, Gladys Heddies and Mabel Rustad.

**St. Peter's English Lutheran**  
The Christmas exercises of the Sunday school will be held tonight at seven o'clock at the Caledonian rooms. The program is as follows:  
Processional--"Hark, the Herald Angels Sing."  
Opening services.  
Christmas recitations--children.  
Responsive readings--The Prophets, school.  
Song--"A Babe Is Born in Bethlehem," school.  
Solo--Chas. Funk.  
Responsive readings--The Fulfillment, school.  
Song--"Silent Night," school.  
Christmas recitations, children.  
Solo, Tressie Block.  
Address, pastor.  
Solo--"Nazareth"--Gounod, W. P. Christy.  
Lighting of tree.  
Distribution of gifts.  
Recessional--"Is With Gladness," school.

A cordial invitation is extended to the public to attend these services.

**Christ Church**  
The children of Christ Episcopal church will assemble in the Sunday school room at five o'clock this afternoon for carol service. Following the service the Christmas tree will be revealed and all of the children will receive presents. At the same time a week from Thursday a New Year's tree for the poor children will be provided.

**First Baptist**  
At the First Baptist church at 7 o'clock this evening the services for the children will begin. Following the services the children will make their donations for those who are less fortunate than they. Each of the many classes will present some special gift with appropriate verses or songs. The exercises

proved very successful last year. Young men attired as butcher boys and singing a festive song marched to the platform with a large roast of beef. The butcher and tailors and apple-men will all be in evidence again tonight. Miss Elizabeth Palmer has general supervision of the program. After the exercises are over the gifts will be distributed among the needy poor.

**St. John's Church.**  
St. John's German Lutheran church will hold Christmas services this evening at 7:30 o'clock. A Christmas tree has been provided for the Sunday school children. There will be a literary and musical program and singing by both mixed choirs. There are 213 children in the Sunday school and each will be presented with a present. The usual Christmas services will be held tomorrow morning at 10:15 o'clock.

**St. Patrick's Church**  
High mass will be celebrated at St. Patrick's church at 8 and 10 a. m. Christmas day. The large and splendidly efficient choir under the direction of Mr. D. D. Bennett will render at the above named hours, Harrison-Millard's mass in "G" with organ and orchestral accompaniment. The choir has lately been strengthened by the addition of several male voices and now undoubtedly has one of the strongest choir organizations, both in solo and choral work in the city. Musical numbers other than the mass proper will be made up of choruses and unities, by "Holly Night," by Adam; "Soprano Solo," with violin obligato, Mrs. Oscar Pyper, Prof. J. M. Smith, violin; "The Christ Child," by Whitney Combs, tenor solo with violin obligato, Mr. William Garbutt, Prof. Smith, violin. The choir will also be assisted by Prof. W. T. Thiele, cornet, and Miss Mattie Crowley, organist.

**Christ Episcopal**  
There will be early morning service at eight o'clock and service with a sermon at ten o'clock at Christ Episcopal church. Rev. Barrington Tilt preach on "Peace on Earth." The musical program will be as follows: Organ Voluntary, A. L. Barnes; Venite, Martin; Gloria, Shuey; Te Deum, Havens; Jubilate, Hanscom; Offertory--"Victory," Weddington; organ, DeBois.

The following beautiful selections will be rendered at the 8 o'clock mass at St. Patrick's church by a choir of sixty children, assisted by the Misses Margaret Golden, Ada Golden, Genevieve Barron, Sadie Joyce and Mary Kusterer: "Behold the Star," solo by Miss Margaret Golden.  
Chorus by Misses Ada Golden, Genevieve Barron, Sadie Joyce, Mary Kusterer, Mary Premo, Gertrude Premo, Mary Dempsey, Ida Coughlin, Florence Coughlin, Ethel Rohz, Mary Hall, Clara Hall.  
Solo, "Glory to God," by Miss Margaret Golden.  
Chorus by sixty voices.  
Vocal duet.  
"Watch Over Us," by choir of sixty children.  
Duet and chorus.  
"The Shepherds of Bethlehem," by the choir.  
Vocal duet.  
"With Wondering Awe," by children's choir, Sister M. Genevieve, director; organist, Miss Mattie Crowley.

**St. Mary's Church**  
The preparations for Xmas festivity at St. Mary's church will surpass anything yet attempted. The principal service will be at 5:30 a. m. The choir under the able direction of Prof. J. S. Taylor have rehearsed that most renowned work, with solo trio and grand chorus, "Gounod's Messe Solennelle in Honorem St. Cecilia." The large chorus has been reinforced and will be supported by Prof. Lake's orchestra for whom orchestral parts were obtained in New York. The other parts of the mass will be rendered by a boys' surplus choir of thirty-six voices. The altar has been remodeled and enlarged and adorned with adorning angels and innumerable lights, the work of the ladies' sodalities.

**Program**  
High mass, 5:30 a. m.; Come Let Us Adore Him, Novello, Soprano choir; Kyrie, Gloria, Credo, Gounod, Solo Trio and chorus; offertory, Gounod, Lake orchestra; Canticum, Benedictus, Agnus Dei, Gounod, Solo Trio and chorus; Veni Creator, Gloria, and children's mass, 8 a. m.; Mass, 10 a. m.; Weiland; Vespers, 7:30 p. m.; Chant, Soprano choir; hymn, Soprano choir; O Satisfactor, ladies' sextette; Tantum Ergo, ladies' sextette.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL CHOSE OFFICERS**  
Harlin E. Cary Chosen as Superintendent at First Methodist Church--Miss Gertrude Lake Pianist.  
The First Methodist Sunday school officers for the coming year were elected last evening. They are as follows:  
Harlin E. Cary--Supt.  
W. S. Davidson--Asst. Supt.  
Lewis Rider--Secy.  
Chas. Penny--Librarian and assistant secretary.  
H. E. Roberts--Treas.  
F. E. Van Pool--chorister.  
F. T. Richards--Asst. chorister.  
Miss Gertrude Lake--Pianist.

**CASING WEATHER ONLY ALLEGED?**  
Packers Deny That Any Tobacco Has Been Taken Down--Warehouses Not to Start Soon.  
Some of the local packers had something to say yesterday concerning an interview with a grower published in Monday's issue of the Gazette. A. D. Fiedler said: "We have had no casing weather; no tobacco has been starting." He said that he had forty acres to come down and none of it was in yet, and that as far as he knew not a pound had been cased. Apparently the damp, foggy weather in which tobacco men delight has not arrived.

## WESTERN LANDS BEING DEPLETED

CHANGE IN LAWS SHOULD COME SOON.

FACTS ARE VERY INTERESTING

How the Big Deals Are Made That Help the Large Owners to Gain Territory.

The land-grabbers seem to have fallen upon evil times. Secretary Hitchcock has put his agents on their trail throughout the West and the newspaper dispatches are burdened with stories of fraudulent entries and rumors of incidents. But this is not the worst of it--from the standpoint of the land-grabbers. The American people are waking up and demanding the repeal of laws which make the land-grabber possible. Disclosures thus far made indicate that the stealing is going on with two main objects in view. One is to enable stockmen to get firm possession of land which they have formerly used as a free range; the other, to extend and to perfect a hard-and-fast monopoly of the timber resources of the West. Both objects strike straight at the prosperity of the common millions of homo seculars to whom this public property now belongs by every moral and legal right.

The prosperity of the future home-seeker in the Rocky Mountain region demands that he shall have an opportunity to enjoy the use of the public range. While he will undertake to handle but a few head of stock, in comparison with the great cattle syndicates and corporations, it is nevertheless essential that he shall enjoy his rights in the public pasture. Every time a quarter section is transferred from the public domain to one of the big cattle companies the opportunity for profitable settlement by genuine home-steaders is curtailed. Carried to its logical conclusion, the present policy of absorption by live stock monopolies would shut out poor men from the use of the public pasture almost entirely. And this would have a most unfortunate influence upon the settlement of the arid region.

The instruments used in the acquisition of the public domain for live stock purposes are the Desert Land Law and the Commutation Clause of the Homestead Law. The former requires no residence whatever on the land; the latter a residence of only fourteen months, which is frequently merely nominal.

The claim that the present laws are necessary to preserve the live stock industry from gradual extinction through the encroachment of cultivators of the soil is wholly groundless. The figures of the last national census show Montana, Wyoming, Washington, Idaho, Nevada, Arizona, and New Mexico, covering 820,000 square miles, had only 4,860, 559 head of cattle. On the other hand, the farming State of Iowa, with only 55,000 square miles, had 5,367,630 cattle, or half a million more than the six states and the two territories which follow the range method. There is but one element benefited by the abuse of the laws which is going on. That is the element which is acquiring the ownership of vast estates to be held for speculation and monopoly.

The absorption of the timber lands strikes another and an even harder blow at the settler. The wanton destruction of the forests which follows impairs the watershed on which the settler depends for the supply of his irrigation ditches. Monopoly imposes a high price for the lumber which the settler must use in making his improvements. Finally, he is deprived of the opportunity to get a little timber on his own account, which he might use in good faith and in compliance with the spirit of the law.

These land frauds throughout the West are adopen and notorious. They are not always frowned upon by public sentiment in the localities where they are committed. In every western community there is a strong desire to see the country developed "while we are alive." Capital is required for the work, and if capital must be tempted into the field by the opportunity to make a profitable monopoly of the timber, why, then, nothing could be better than the present laws.

The administration is doing its duty in hunting down the land thieves as rapidly as it can. A healthy public sentiment is beginning to come to the support of those who demand the repeal of the laws. But the remedy lies wholly in the hands of Congress. Congress must act, and act speedily, or the most valuable portions of the public domain will be forever lost.

## WILLIAMS' HOUSE WAS BURGLARIZED

Thieves, Supposed to Be Boys, Ransacked the Jefferson Avenue Home Tuesday Night--Nothing Taken.

In passing by E. S. Williams' Forest park residence on Jefferson avenue yesterday Cash Searles noticed that the cellar door had been forced with a heavy plank and having secured the keys to the residence and notified the police, an examination of the premises was made. It was discovered that a panel had been cut from the door at the head of the stairs and that the entire house had been ransacked. Bureau drawers had been emptied on the floor, mattresses torn from the beds, and general confusion reigned from basement to garret. A large phonograph had been set up in the center of one of the rooms. Nothing valuable was missed and it is thought that the work was done by boys who entered the house hoping to find money.

George W. Weedon of Minneapolis has been appointed district passenger agent of the Pennsylvania railroad, with headquarters in Cleveland. C. M. Mr. Weedon succeeds C. L. Kimball, recently made general passenger agent of the same company, with headquarters at Chicago.

## ...LINK AND PIN...

Northwestern Road  
Engineer W. H. Brazzel on the Fond du Lac passenger is spending Christmas at home with his family. Engineer M. A. Crowley is relieving him.

Engineer J. Alexander on the Rockford-Watertown passenger run, will spend Christmas at his home in Rockford. He is being relieved by Engineer J. H. Shekey.

M. H. Siegel has been assigned to the position of fireman on runs Nos. 126 and 127 Madison division, between Lancaster and Madison, with Engineer Miller.

Lee Walldorf has been assigned to fire on the west end turn around on the Madison division with Engineer McDermott, between Madison and Galena.

Thomas Conway has been assigned to the position of fireman with Engineer Gleason on runs Nos. 86 and 89 between Madison and Milwaukee, on the Madison division.

Engineer Edward Carman and wife of Fond du Lac are in the city to spend Xmas with Mr. Carman's mother on Terrace street.

Special orders have been received at the general foreman's office to run no freight trains after 6 p. m. tonight until after Christmas.

C. H. Denson of Mineral Point and Chas. Stenson of this city have been employed on the Wisconsin division as firemen.

Engines Nos. 338, 276 and 85 passed through the city on their way to Ashland to do service on that division.

Engineer P. C. Coburn of the north Wisconsin division is on duty and will spend Christmas at his home on Center avenue.

General Foreman Thomas Erickson and family left at noon for Kankakee to spend Christmas.

Engineer A. B. Carver has returned to work on the Wisconsin division switch engine.

Work will be suspended as far as possible in the shops on Christmas day.

Engineer L. E. Field of Fond du Lac visited in the city last evening.

Fireman Adair has returned to work after a week's absence.

**General Railroad Notes**  
The report that the North-Western road is trying to buy for car shops the paper plant of the Consolidated Water Power and Paper company at Grand Rapids, Mich., is declared by Isaac Witter, treasurer of the paper company, to contain no truth whatever.

On Jan. 1 the Pennsylvania railroad will establish its own sales department in the eastern cities for the disposal of the product of its hard coal mines through its own agents instead of through commission men. This is in line with the plan of the other anthracite-hauling roads.

## RACES At the Palace Rink Christmas.

Good music both afternoon and evening.

## CLOSING OUT

We do not propose to carry over any

## Holiday Goods

Look over our stock. Anything suiting your fancy can be bought at the lowest figure ever given in this city.

Toilet, Manicure, Smoking and Shaving Sets. Atomizers, Sprayers, Bon Bon Dishes, Hair Brushes. Combs, Picture Frames, Albums Stationery. Tobacco Jars, Card Cases, Steins, Purses.

All kinds - of - Novelties

Badger Drug Co.



**CHRISTMAS COAL**  
fills a most important place in the essential of a fine Christmas dinner. As your cook will fail if the fire is not right. It will be right, however, if you buy the coal at our. Our Christmas coal is the best for any kind of cooking. It gives just the right fire always.

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OF Janesville, Wisconsin.  
Capital and Undivided Profits \$200,000.00  
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## FIRELIGHT PARLOR MATCHES

500 IN A BOX.  
2 boxes for - 5c  
10 lbs. good coffee \$1  
**Boston Store**  
J. B. SMITH Prop.  
South River St.

## FACTS.

Potatoes . . . . . 35  
Best Patent Flour . . . . . \$1.10  
Corn Meal . . . . . 20  
Graham Flour . . . . . 20  
8 lbs. Oat Meal . . . . . 25  
Snyder Catsup pint . . . . . 18  
Early June Peas . . . . . 10  
Table Syrup Gal. . . . . 35  
New Orleans Molasses, Gal. . . . . 35  
Sweet Cider, Gal. . . . . 30  
Hickory Nuts . . . . . 20

## NOLAN BROS.

**PURE ..and.. SPARKLING**  
Buob's beer contains only the purest of materials in its manufacture. We deliver direct from the brewery in either pint or case lots.

**South Side Brewery, PHONE 141.**



**Signs.**  
CHAS. W. HALL, 31 SO. MAIN ST.



#### WORDS OF WISDOM.

Let us respect white hair—especially our own.—Pettit-Senn.

We hear the rain fall, but not the snow. Bitter grief is loud, calm grief is silent.—Auerbach.

Genius is the father of a heavenly line, but the mortal mother, that is industry.—Theodore Parker.

It takes centuries of higher living to refine an instinct; it takes less than years to degrade it.—Beatrice Harraden.

We should miss a great deal that is valuable in human nature if we confined our attention exclusively to important personages.—Hamerton.

We start life thinking that we shall build a great cathedral, a crowning glory of architecture, and we end by contriving a mud hut.—Arabella Keanly.

#### BRIEF TRAILERS.

A woman who can talk will usually overdo it.

Sudden advancement has caused many a man's downfall.

Some men are happiest when engaged in an acrimonious dispute.

The woman who knows her own mind wants people to know she knows it.

Men who really are charming as husbands often are uninteresting otherwise.

Falsenesses not only disagree with truths, but they usually quarrel among themselves.

## Life's Change.

Much Suffering at This Critical Period Saved by Dr. Miles' Nerve.

"Change of Life" is one of woman's greatest and most dangerous troubles. Often it is not recognized, and the distressing symptoms are mistaken for Dyspepsia, Liver, Womb Trouble, etc.

The depressing constitutional effects of Change of Life, and the female disorders so common at that period, are best treated with a general nerve restorative which will give tone to the entire system—Dr. Miles' Nerve.

The beneficial effects of this celebrated medicine are very quickly felt, and the constitutional disturbance is relieved. Pain and anxiety are relieved, and fresh energy infused into mind and body.

It is the medicine which acts on the nerves which regulate the organs of the body. Such distressing troubles as Backache, Headache, Bearing-down Pains, Bleeding, Indigestion, Menstrual Irregularities, Irritability, Dizziness, Loss of Appetite, Sleeplessness, are relieved and cured by Dr. Miles' Nerve.

"My wife was a sufferer from an attack of nervous prostration, brought on by female weakness, and was in very poor health, after reading one of Dr. Miles' advertisements, she concluded to try Dr. Miles' Nerve. She obtained relief from the attack, and now, after taking second bottle enjoys good health. Words cannot express our appreciation of what it has done for us."

E. J. AUGUSTINE, New Orleans, La.

FREE Write us and we will mail you a Free Trial Package of Dr. Miles' Anti-Pain Pills, the New, Scientific Remedy for Pain. Also send you a blank for our Specialist to diagnose your case and tell you what is wrong and how to cure it. Address: DR. MILES MEDICAL CO., LABORATORIES, ELKHART, IND.

M. P. Richardson, Atty.

STATE OF WISCONSIN, Circuit Court for Rock County—In Probate. Notice is hereby given that at a special term of the County Court to be held in and for said county, at the Court House, in the City of Janesville, on the 13th day of December, 1903, at 10 o'clock a. m., the following matter will be heard and considered:

The application of Mary Flynn for the adjournment and allowance of her account, as administratrix of the estate of Patrick Noon, late of the town of Spring Valley, in said county, deceased, and for the assignment of the residuary estate to such other persons as may be by law entitled thereto.

Dated November 13th, 1903.

By the Court, J. W. SALES, County Judge.

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## ...Forty Years Ago...

Janesville Daily Gazette, Thursday, December 24, 1863.—First Ward.—The vote of the first ward yesterday was 167 for the bounty tax and 6 against.

"Bad For the Cow."—When Geo. Stephenson was presenting the claims of his first locomotive to the British parliament, he was sneered at by many members. Said one of them: "Well, Mr. Stephenson, see how absurd your idea is. Suppose it were possible for you to run your carriage twenty miles an hour on straight rails, so that it could not get off. What if a cow got on the track, and you could not turn out for her?" "Well, my lords," said Stephenson, "it would be bad for the cow."

Charleston, Dec. 21.—The enemy continue to work on Gregg and Wagner, extending the flank of the former and solidifying the latter. No important movement of the fleet has been made. A calcium light has been discovered tonight, reflecting on the city.

General Corcoran came to his death by being thrown from his horse near Langston station, resulting in a fracture of his skull. Death ensued in a few hours after. Being a good horseman, it is supposed by his friends he may have had an attack of apoplexy. He will be embalmed and sent home.

## Coming Attractions.

THE ISLE OF SPICE The musical extravaganza "The Isle of Spice" will be the attraction at the Myers Grand tomorrow matinee and night. If a wealth of charming melodies, a story full of bright wit and humor, interpreted by one of the strongest organizations ever formed in this country, presented in a production magnificently costumed and mounted, are worthy of interest, this attraction will be a greater treat to the theatre-patrons of this city than perhaps almost any other that will be seen here this season.

"The Isle of Spice" is considered the greatest musical comedy production ever made in Chicago, where it has just closed a successful run of more than 150 nights. F. C. and B. C. Whitney who are responsible for the production, have lavished money on it with a prodigal hand, and the result is a presentation of a piece in this country with more than rivals the famed magnificence of London productions. The scenic effects and the costumes, especially will be found dazzling in the extreme. The Messrs Whitney have not only provided a most elaborate and costly stage equipment but they have also formed a remarkably strong company, headed by Burr Haverly, Wm. M. Armstrong, Tony Lyons, James Frazer, the Misses Hayward, Leigh, and besides these are fifty actors, actresses and singers of conspicuous ability. Four authors and composers are responsible for "The Isle of Spice." The books and lyrics are by Allen Lowe and Geo. E. Stoddard, and the musical numbers are by Paul Schneider and Ben M. Jerome.

## C.M. & St. Paul Ry.

Home-seekers' Excursions via the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway.

One fare plus \$2 for the round trip, effective first and third Tuesday of each month from December 1903 to April 1904, inclusive. Dates of sale December 1 and 15, 1903; January 5 and 19, 1904. For details apply to agents of the C. M. & St. P. Ry.

To Colorado and California via the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway.

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Dalton, Ga., Dec. 18.—General Joseph E. Johnson is appointed to the command of the Tennessee army. Gen. Hindman has arrived and taken command of his old division. Gen. Sherman's corps has fallen back from Knoxville, and passed through Cleveland, yesterday.

Charleston, S. C., Dec. 20.—The enemy opened fire on the city between 12 and 1 o'clock and threw fifteen shells. This p. m. twenty more were fired. No damage done and no one injured.

Charleston, Dec. 18.—Ten shells were fired at the city this morning. Our battery kept up a steady fire on the enemy, who are engaged in obstructing approaches to their batteries on Morris Island.

There was some firing on the Steno today. Twenty-nine vessels including the Ironsides, are inside the bar, and the usual number at Steno.

for the round trip December 24, 25 and 31, 1903 and January 1, 1904, limited to return up to and including January 4th, 1904. For other information apply to ticket agent C. M. & St. P. Ry.

Excursion Rates for the Holidays Via the North-Western line. Excursion tickets will be sold at reduced rates to points on the North-Western system within 200 miles of selling station, December 24, 25, 26, 27 and January 1, good returning until and including January 4, 1904. Apply to agents Chicago & North-Western Ry.

Half Rates to Portland, Oregon, and Return.

Via the North-Western Line. Excursion tickets will be sold Jan. 6 to 9, inclusive, with very favorable return limits, on account of convention of National Live Stock Association. Apply to agents Chicago & North-Western Ry.

New trains via the C. M. & St. P. Ry for Kansas City, 6:00 p. m., connecting at Davis Junction with the New Southwest Limited, through Moline, Rock Island, Davenport and Ottumwa. New fast train for Denver, 9:00 a. m., only one night on the road. Complete information on request.

Taint no use to sit down and whine. When no fish get tangled in your line Bate your hook with a humble bee, And keep on taking Rocky Mountain Tea. Volss' Pharmacy.

## JANESVILLE MARKET REPORT

Quotations on Grain and Produce Reported for the Gazette.

REPORTED BY F. A. SPOON & CO., December 22, 1903.

Flour—1st Pat. at \$1.20 to \$1.25 2nd Pat. at \$1.10 to \$1.20 per sack.

Wheat—No. 3 Winter, 65¢; No. 3 Spring, 75¢; No. 3, 60¢.

Rye—1st Pat. at 45¢; 2nd Pat. at 40¢; No. 3, 35¢.

Barley—Extra 1st Pat. to good making, 40¢; 2nd Pat. 35¢; No. 3, 30¢.

Corn—Ear, now, per ton, 18-18.50 depending on quality.

Oats—25¢; 30¢.

Clover Seed—\$1.75 to \$2.00 per bu.

Timothy Seed—Retail at \$1.50; 100 lbs. at \$1.40.

Hay—Pure corn and oats, 110-120¢; 100 lbs. at 110¢.

Mixtures, 110¢ to 115¢.

Beans—\$15.00 to 200 lb. sacks per ton.

Red Middlings—\$20.00 sacked, per ton; Fed Dog, \$22.00. Standard Middlings, 18¢; 20¢; 22¢; 24¢.

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## MORE THUGGERY IN THIS CITY

BERT SANFORD ATTACKED BY  
TWO MEN EARLY LAST NIGHT.

## WORSTED, RESORTS TO KNIFE

Inflicts Slight Wounds with a Pen-  
knife, and Finally Gives Pur-  
suit—Disorderly Conduct.

As Bert Sanford and Monroe Arm-  
field were returning from the skating  
rink with two young ladies last  
evening, the first named was accosted  
by a man sitting with a companion  
on the steps leading into the  
Myers theatre. The man was Pete  
Goodman, and his companion, John  
Milford. Goodman asked Sanford in  
insulting words to take off his coat  
and stand around the corner if he  
dared. Sanford acted on the sug-  
gestion with alacrity.

**Sanford Knocked Down**  
The trouble arose over one of the  
young ladies some time ago and San-  
ford had been warned that Goodman  
was going to "fix him." When he  
went around the corner he found that  
he had two men to deal with, as  
Goodman called loudly on his com-  
panion to "stand by him" as he had  
promised. With this assurance  
Goodman pitched in and struck San-  
ford a blow in the face that felled  
him to the earth. When he clambered  
to his feet again he drew out his  
pen-knife and upon the continuance  
of the attack slashed Goodman in the  
neck. He then wheeled about and  
cut a small hole in the back of Mil-  
ford's overcoat. Freeing himself from  
the two antagonists he then ran into  
McDonald's restaurant where he is  
employed and seized a large butcher  
knife.

**Blood Curdling Spectacle**  
Sanford's nose and left hand were  
bleeding and the knife which he car-  
ried was soon dripping gore. He  
leaped into the street and sighting  
his late adversaries made for them  
at full speed. The two men thought  
it best to take to their heels and  
fled down Milwaukee street. Sanford  
gaining on them at every step—cool-  
less, his hair standing on end, and  
his face covered with blood. Of-  
ficer Bencke and Chief Hogan  
heard the yell and rushed to the  
scene. Sanford was within six feet  
of one of them when stopped.

**Three Were Arrested**  
Sanford was taken in charge by  
the officers last night and warrants  
were to have been issued this morn-  
ing for the arrest of his assailants.  
The charge of disorderly conduct  
was to be brought against them.

## SMALL FIRE IN CIGAR FACTORY

Flames Partially Consumed Several  
Cases of Tobacco at Schmidley's  
Last Night—Loss About \$400.

A blaze started in the cigar fac-  
tory of Harry Schmidley, corner of  
Main street and Prospect avenue, at  
eleven o'clock last evening. The de-  
partment was soon on the scene and  
the flames were soon extinguished  
with the aid of chemicals. Although  
there was about \$1,000 worth of  
stock in the building, the loss was  
not large and as near as can be es-  
timated will amount to about \$400.  
It is fully covered by insurance.

## NO LIKE ORDER IN THIS STATE

Prominent Odd Fellow Says But Few  
of Objectionable Class Are  
Members.

The following dispatch from  
Springfield, Ohio, on the recent ac-  
tion of the grand lodge of that state  
as regards liquor dealers and gam-  
blers will not affect Wisconsin Odd  
Fellows in any manner. A prominent  
member of the order said this morn-  
ing that this was a special legisla-  
tion of the Ohio lodge and that the  
question had not been brought in  
Wisconsin. He said that but few of  
this class belonged to the order and  
that the different lodges were care-  
ful not to take any members from  
these classes into the order. The fol-  
lowing is the dispatch:  
Grand Master Charles C. Pavey of  
the Ohio Grand Lodge of the Inde-  
pendent Order of Odd Fellows has  
issued a circular to the effect that  
January 10, 1904, all saloonkeepers,  
bartenders or professional gamblers  
shall either quit the order or those  
occupations. In the event of a re-  
fusal to cease such callings they will  
be tried and expelled.

**Notice**  
Having received the tax roll for  
Harmony I am now ready to collect  
taxes. Will be at A. H. Shields &  
Co.'s hardware store, Janesville,  
Wis., Saturdays, beginning Saturday,  
Jan. 2, 1904, until Saturday, Jan. 30,  
1904. F. M. ROACH, Treasurer.  
Dated Dec. 23, 1903.

**Notice F. & A. M.:** There will be  
a special communication of Janes-  
ville Lodge, No. 55, F. & A. M., this  
evening at 7:30 o'clock. Work in  
the E. A. degree. Per order Ira M.  
Holapier, W. M.; Jas. A. Fathers,  
S. D.

**Christmas Drunks:** "Hank" Car-  
son and Frank McDermott were ar-  
rested and jailed for drunkenness  
and disorderly conduct last night.

**THIS IS THE LAST OPPORTUNITY  
S. C. BURNHAM & CO.**

Mrs. Bernard is seriously ill at her  
Milwaukee street home.

**LAST CHANCE  
S. C. BURNHAM & CO.  
WILL HELP YOU**

**FUTURE EVENTS**  
Sunday school children of St.  
Mary's Catholic church have a  
Christmas tree in chapel at 7:30,  
Thursday evening.  
Children's Christmas Exercises at  
the Congregational church, Thurs-  
day evening, December 24.  
Free-Will offering of provisions and  
food for poor, by the children of  
Court street, Methodist church,  
Thursday evening. Admission to ex-  
ercises—one potato.  
Christmas exercises and offering  
for the poor by children of First  
Baptist church, Thursday evening.  
Admission—an apple.  
Christian Entertainment of child-  
ren of First Presbyterian church,  
Thursday evening. Cantata "Christ-  
mas Greeting."  
Sunday school children of St.  
Mary's Catholic church have a Christ-  
mas tree in chapel at 7:30, Thurs-  
day evening.  
Christmas tree for the children at  
Crest Episcopal church at five  
o'clock, Thursday evening.  
"The Isle of Spice," Christmas  
day matinee and evening perform-  
ance at theatre, December 25.  
Trinity Episcopal church Christ-  
mas tree will be held Monday eve-  
ning, December 28. Preceded by  
supper for children.

## BRIEF BITS OF LOCAL NEWS

"Talk to Lowell" tonight.  
Talk to Lowell.  
"Talk to Lowell" tonight.  
You never saw a finer display of  
handkerchiefs than we are showing  
this season. T. P. Burns.  
"Talk to Lowell" tonight.  
See the Rink and in this edition.  
"Talk to Lowell" tonight.  
We are showing a very attractive  
line of ladies' neckwear, purses,  
hand bags, belts and umbrellas. T.  
P. Burns.  
"Talk to Lowell" tonight.  
Special inducements on table lin-  
ens, towels and napkins to holiday  
purchasers. T. P. Burns.  
"Talk to Lowell" tonight.  
Selman's carriage, heaters and  
coal, best in the market. Prices  
right. For sale by Dicknell Hdw. Co.  
"Talk to Lowell" tonight.  
The Art Study company have laid  
off several of their men until after  
the first of the year.  
"Talk to Lowell" tonight.  
Janesville Pearl Button factory has  
closed down until after the holidays.  
Work at the New Doty Works is  
not rushing just at present, conse-  
quently several of the workmen have  
been laid off.  
"Talk to Lowell" tonight.  
Beaumont DeForest is in the city  
to spend the holidays with his  
family.  
"Talk to Lowell" tonight.  
Rusk Lyceum dance tonight.  
15 pieces to close out at 10c lb. to-  
night. Nash.  
"Talk to Lowell" tonight.  
Our line of dinner sets, lamps,  
chamber sets most complete and at  
bed-rock prices. Savings Store.  
"Talk to Lowell" tonight.  
All poultry at cost tonight. Nash.  
You'll want the best 25c coffee on  
earth for dinner tomorrow. Nash.  
"Marriage licenses" have been is-  
sued to Clowden S. Farman and Miss  
Roseann White of Edgerton,  
and George Smith and Hattie Greek  
of Beloit.

Rusk Lyceum dance tonight.  
The best 25c coffee on earth will  
make the Xmas smile perpetual.  
Nash.  
"Talk to Lowell" tonight.  
The biggest Xmas trade we ever  
had. Come again. Nash.  
Corner Stone is the best patent  
flour on earth, \$1.10. Nash.  
"Talk to Lowell" tonight.  
We have a very beautiful line of  
pictures, nothing nicer for a Christ-  
mas present at way down prices.  
Savings Store.  
"Talk to Lowell" tonight.  
Miss Mary Clark of Chicago is  
spending the Christmas holidays in  
the city.  
Rusk Lyceum dance tonight.  
George Holse of Madison is home  
to spend Christmas with relatives.  
Mary Kimball Mission—105 South  
Jackson street. Sunday school at 2  
p. m. Preaching at 7 p. m. Topic,  
"No Room and No Time for Jesus."  
Meetings Wednesday and Friday eve-  
nings. Everybody invited.  
A large box of mistletoe was re-  
ceived by Mary Kimball, city mis-  
sionary, yesterday with which to de-  
corate the chapel for the Christmas  
entertainment to be held on Saturday  
night, Dec. 26. It was sent by H. E.  
Kimball, formerly of this city, and a  
brother of Miss Kimball.

## NEWS OF A PERSONAL NATURE

No Paper Tomorrow: There will  
be no publication of The Gazette to-  
morrow, owing to its being Christ-  
mas.  
Mr. and Mrs. Charles Roessling  
will spend Christmas at the home of  
Miss Roessling's parents at Poyneite,  
Wis.  
Will Kemmerling has gone to Min-  
eral Point to spend the holidays.  
Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Spickerman  
will spend Christmas at the home of  
Mr. Spickerman's parents at Dela-  
van.  
W. N. Lee of Madison is spending  
Christmas with his parents, Mr. and  
Mrs. H. W. Lee, 152 Locust street.  
Percy Kearney is spending the  
holidays at the parental home.  
Mr. J. Roberts, bookkeeper at the  
F. M. Markham Shoe Co., went to  
Milwaukee today to spend Christmas  
at home.  
Dr. A. L. Burdick and family are  
visiting relatives in Iowa, during  
the holidays. They will return about  
Jan. 1st.  
D. B. Lampman, formerly night  
operator on the C. M. & St. P. R'y.,  
at Edgerton, has been transferred to  
Janesville.  
Christmas at Jail: The prisoners  
at the county jail will enjoy turkey  
tomorrow. Each prisoner at the jail  
will receive a Christmas present of  
a neck tie. One of the White Lighters  
when asked what he thought of that,  
said: "Rather have whiskey." Mr.  
Ziegler is to be the Santa Claus in  
this case.  
Attention K. of P.: Santa Lodge  
No. 22 will hold no regular sessions  
until after the holidays, but will hold  
a special meeting on Wednesday eve-  
ning, Dec. 30 for the purpose of  
confering ranks. Per order W. O.  
Newhouse, C. C.

## WEATHER IS NOT VERY FAVORABLE

FARMERS ARE BEGINNING TO  
LOSE HOPE.

## BUSINESS AT A STANDSTILL

In Old Leaf, However, There Has  
Been Some Movement in  
Small Lots.

The weather having been excep-  
tionally unfavorable for casing, farm-  
ers are beginning to lose hope of  
getting their tobacco off their hands  
before the spring. Little buying can  
be expected until the leaf is stripped.  
The approaching holiday season, too,  
has a depressing effect on the mar-  
ket, so that business in the new leaf  
is practically at a standstill. In old  
leaf there has been some movement  
in small lots. Shipments out of  
storage from Edgerton for the week  
amounted to 655 cases.

Up to the present scarcely any to-  
bacco has been stripped. No buying  
has been reported so far. Buyers are  
believed to have concluded that much  
trouble and loss may be prevented by  
deferring purchases until the crop  
has been stripped, as much of the  
filler portion was damaged during the  
drought, and has the appearance of  
being dead and worthless.

**Michigan**  
Detroit, as a great distributing  
point for leaf tobacco and cigars, has  
taken a place in the front rank of  
cities west of the Alleghenies. The  
dealers and manufacturers not only  
hold the best share of the adjoining  
territory, but go far afield in com-  
petition with the large houses of the  
East. The failures of the last month  
do not seem to have had any injur-  
ious effect on the trade. Any com-  
ment is of a kindly nature. Most  
dealers believe that the competition  
will not be so keen and that they  
will be able to get a better price for  
their holdings. Credits will not be so  
easy, and will be based more than  
ever, on a solid responsibility.

**New England**  
So long as the hoped-for damp  
spell falls to materialize little move-  
ment in tobacco is to be expected.  
Considerable leaf has been taken  
down from the poles, but there have  
been practically no sales, buyers ap-  
parently holding off until they can  
see the tobacco in the bundle. On  
the whole the situation is far from  
satisfactory. The cure is said to be  
the best in many years, but the aver-  
age condition of the crop at harvest  
time was poor, and the proportion of  
wrapper will be small. The broad  
leaf section fared best.

**New York**  
Little tobacco has yet been taken  
from the poles owing to the unfavor-  
able weather conditions which have  
prevailed. The crop, however, though  
rather small, is reported to be un-  
usually sound. Some sales have been  
made at from six to ten cents in the  
bundle.

## COCK FIGHT WAS A DECIDED FROST

Janesville, Beloit and Sharon Birds  
Have Hot Contest at  
Delavan.

All Tuesday afternoon owners of  
game chickens left the city by ones  
and twos with an air of mystery. To  
the initiated tow the destination was  
known, but to the layman the strange  
packages they bore only brought  
forth the thought of benevolent  
Christmas shoppers with their mys-  
terious packages for Christmas morn-  
ing. Beloit seems to have been af-  
fected the same way and strange to  
say the destination of these men from  
the Line City was the same as that  
of their Janesville brethren and  
those from Sharon, Milwaukee and  
those from Racine and Freeport and Post Atkin-  
son, but they either missed their  
connections or decided that Christ-  
mas trade was too brisk to desert  
business for the time being.

**At Lake Delavan**  
A lonely boat house on the shores  
of Lake Delavan within cry of the  
Chauteaugua grounds was the scene  
of the encounters and while the num-  
ber of the birds was less than last  
year, the bloody contests returned  
well satisfied. Janesville birds ap-  
peared to have been handled the  
better for at any rate they took  
three fights from the Beloit brethren  
and crowned most lustily for more  
work to conquer. The Sharon birds  
were not so lucky but managed to  
break even in their contest with  
Beloit birds, each taking one fight. The  
main was to have been the biggest  
in the state and the tip which was  
passed around to the initiated  
brought many Bower city sports to  
the scene of action.

**Beloits on Freight**  
The Beloit contingent returned to  
their homes on a freight train. Not  
because they did not have money  
enough left, they say, but because  
there was no train back from the  
battle ground until late yesterday af-  
ternoon. The Janesville fighters  
came back all smiles and with the  
coin.

## O. E. S. ELECTED NEW OFFICERS

The Installation Occurred Last Even-  
ing at the Lodge  
Rooms.

Janesville Chapter, No. 69, O. E. S.  
held a regular meeting last evening  
and the following officers were in-  
stalled.  
Worthy matron—Mollie Kirch.  
Worthy patron—W. F. Carle.  
Associate matron—Vivian Carle.  
Secretary—Ella Willis.  
Treasurer—Alice Evans.  
Cond.—Nellie Dudley.  
Associate Cond.—Theodora Gar-  
butt.  
Adm.—May Merritt.  
Ruth—Dora Stevens.  
Ester—May Nicholson.  
Martha—Gertrude Winkler.  
Electa—Sue Hutchinson.  
Warder—Elizabeth Errelodge.  
Sentinel—A. S. Lee.

## WANTS RAILROAD SHEETS AT ONCE

Railroad Commissioner Thomas An-  
nounces He Has Not All the  
Material He Asked For.

State Railroad Commissioner John  
W. Thomas, who, with two assist-  
ants, is investigating the books of  
the railroads traversing Wisconsin,  
to ascertain if rebates were paid in  
this state, said today that the Chic-  
ago & North-Western and the Chic-  
ago, Milwaukee & St. Paul roads had  
not furnished tariff sheets for a  
quantity of freight shipped in the  
state last year. Before the investi-  
gation was completed, Mr. Thomas  
said, these roads would be given a  
further opportunity to furnish the  
desired sheets, and if they failed to  
do so he would probably take some  
action.

Mr. Thomas would not say how  
large a quantity of freight had been  
shipped under the missing tariffs.  
More of the tariff sheets of the  
North-Western were missing than of  
the Milwaukee road.  
Mr. Thomas and his experts will  
begin work on the books of the  
Omaha road at St. Paul the first  
Monday in January, and after finish-  
ing them, would take up in turn  
those of the "So," Northern Pacific,  
and Great Northern.

**Funeral of Charles F. Nohr**  
Funeral services of the remains of  
the late Charles F. Nohr were held from  
his home in the town of Rock yester-  
day afternoon at 1:30 o'clock. Rev.  
C. J. Koerner of this city officiated.  
The pallbearers were William Mil-  
ler, William Brinkman, Frank Rand-  
all, Albert Starr, Frank Kethelton  
and C. E. Wehler. The interment  
was at Afton cemetery.

**Funeral of Joseph Razook**  
Funeral services over the remains  
of Joseph Razook, infant son of Mr.  
and Mrs. Alie Razook, were held at  
9:30 o'clock from St. Mary's church,  
this morning. Rev. Goebel officiating.  
The interment was at Mt. Olivet  
cemetery.

**Simon Gagan**  
As the result of Bright's disease  
Simon Gagan died at 9 o'clock last  
evening at his home on Arch street.  
Mr. Gagan was a man held in the  
highest esteem and has resided here  
45 years. He was 75 years of age  
and besides a widow leaves two sons  
Martin and Samuel Gagan.  
Funeral services will be held from  
St. Patrick's church at 9 o'clock Sat-  
urday morning.

**WATCHES,  
JEWELRY,  
DIAMONDS  
SILVERWARE,  
S. C. BURNHAM & CO.**

## Santa Claus On 2nd Floor THE FAIR

For this week we will be  
Headquarters  
for all kinds of small and  
large goods for Christ-  
mas.

Fine stationery per box 10c  
to 50c  
Good books, 2 for 25c  
Children's books, 5c to 25c  
Fancy ink stands, 25c to 1.50

## PICTURE ALBUMS and TOILET SETS.

Dolls from 10c to 2.75.  
Small toys, an endless  
variety—Wagons, Sleds,  
Go-Carts, Dolls, Buggies,  
Rocking Horses, etc., etc.  
Dishes, Fine China, Semi-  
Porcelain, White and Colored  
China, Decorated.

Japan Ware, Lamps etc.

Store Open Evenings

All this week

2nd Floor

THE FAIR

"The best preparation for good work  
tomorrow is to do good work today."

## The Best Preparation

for the "tomorrow" of yourself and  
family and for the Xmas festivities  
is to buy your groceries and meats,  
candies and nuts at Carle's Ward  
Store where only "good things" are  
sold. If you have not done so, then  
here, you know that is true. If  
you are out, a trial order will prove  
its truth and make of you a satisfied  
customer.  
Jolly stinks, tender roasts, meaty  
chops, apples, candies, nuts, new  
dates, figs, pop corn, oysters.

**J. F. CARLE, Washington St.  
Grocer  
Old Phone 247. New Phone 250  
Branch Office:  
Janesville Steam Laundry**

## U. S. CONSUL TAKES A HAND

IN CASE OF RUDOLPH M'CUM-  
MINGS OF JANESVILLE.

## ATTEMPTS TO RELEASE TODAY

The German Ship "Alsternix" on  
Which Lad Is Believed To Be De-  
tained, Is Still in Harbor.

Abraham S. Smith, United States  
consul at Victoria, British Columbia,  
interested himself in the case of Rud-  
olph McCummings last night and a  
dispatch flashed over the wires: at  
midnight announced that the Janes-  
ville boy who is believed to have  
been shanghaied and kept aboard  
the German ship "Alsternix" will be  
released today unless unforeseen ob-  
stacles arise.

**Boat Is in Port**  
The ship is anchored four miles  
from Victoria, having been lying in  
port there for a fortnight for some  
unknown reason. Friends and rela-  
tives of the lad are very much pleas-  
ed with the good tidings.

**Feared He Was Dead**  
Shortly after McCummings arrived  
in Portland last April and subse-  
quent to the last letter received  
from him announcing that he had  
gone to work in a saw-mill, the  
news of a cloud-burst a few miles  
from Portland in which many lives  
were lost was published broadcast  
in the newspapers. Friends here  
took it for granted that he was one  
of the victims but his aunt, Mrs.  
James McNally, refused to believe  
this and declared that the boy would  
appear in Janesville on Christmas  
day. Fred Van Kirk of Portland got  
McCummings a position on a ranch  
but when he went to the hotel to  
get him, he had disappeared. The  
United Workmen and the Catholic  
Order of Foresters are the lodges to  
which the young man belongs.

Club House maple syrup, 1 qt. 20c.  
3 lbs. crackers and 1 qt. oysters,  
50c.  
Rice pop corn, per lb., 2c.  
Golden russet apple cider, per gal.  
25c.  
Nice large cranberries, per qt., 8c.  
Florida oranges, per doz., 15 & 20c.  
White clover honey, per lb., 15c.  
Shelled Burk hickory nuts, per qt.,  
5c. (By the peck, 3 shillings).  
3 lbs. sweet potatoes, 25c.

THE FAIR.

**FOR A  
Xmas Gift for Gentlemen**



Nothing better than a  
Stylish Hat.

The Kingsbury,  
in December Blacks, are here.  
Derbies, Golf and Fedoras.

**T. I. ZIEGLER  
CLOTHING CO**

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Quality counts—all  
coal is NOT alike—  
ours, whether hard  
or soft, comes from  
mines that have a  
reputation for quality  
and uniformity.

We are sure we've got just  
what you want! A trial order  
will convince you.

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Yard, 9 Adams St., New Phone 293.  
City Office, Radnor Drug Co.,  
Both Phones 175.

## Practical Gifts

are those that are of use at  
all times.

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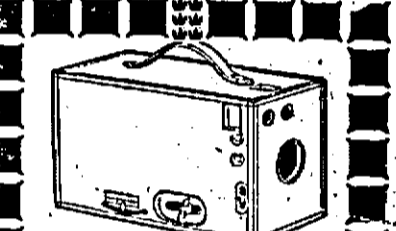
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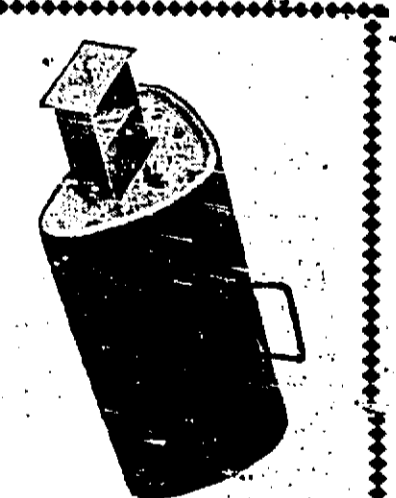
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## SYNOPSIS.

Chapter I—Alfred Whidby discovers dead body of his uncle, Mr. Strong, with cash in the pocket, and telephones for police. Matthews, the gardener, is the only other occupant of the house.

Chapter II—Capt. Welch, chief of police, and Detective Hendricks investigate. Blood is found on Whidby's cuff.

Chapter III—Col. Warrenton, a lawyer, makes a friendly call. Whidby recalls (what he had not when examined by coroner) walking in his sleep during night, being awakened by a chair falling over his head, and not being able to remember the incident. Annette Delmar calls to prove her devotion as while her lover is under suspicion.

Chapter IV—Warrenton learns that Strong had quarreled with a mysterious visitor the previous summer, during Whidby's absence. Mysterious letters received and mayor offers reward for capture of writer.

Chapter V—Mayor's family is concerned lest offering reward may attract murderer's attention to him. Lillian Walters, mayor's married daughter, claims she has seen a man climb over her fence. She had secured a revolver, but not before the man had disappeared.

Chapter VI—Lillian wakes her mother in the night. She thinks the man she had seen is the murderer, and is fearful of his return. The mayor receives a threatening note.

Chapter VII—Whidby fears he committed the crime under hypnotic influence. Warrenton advises a consultation with Dr. Lampkin, a hypnotic specialist.

Chapter VIII—Nothing developing at Roundtree's place, police guard is withdrawn. A day or two later, Lillian, walking in garden, is shot at, bullet passing through her sleeve. Hendricks makes a careful investigation.

Chapter IX—Detective Welch had purposely shot through her own sleeve, also she had been the author of the warning note to the mayor. Welch is cautioned to watch her to learn reason for her actions.

Chapter X—Dr. Lampkin arranges a hypnotic test on Whidby to determine truth of latter's suspicion that Whidby committed the crime.

"You naturally would, and you were wise to move back. If you go to bed with the idea that you are doing even a slight thing for self-protection, the thought will haunt you in your sleep. It is one of the psychic laws. Would you mind showing me the room?"

"Not at all. The three men rose and went into Whidby's room.

"Which is the chair you spoke of, and where was it placed that night?" asked Dr. Lampkin.

Whidby drew it from behind a screen in a corner.

"You ought not to have placed it there," remarked the hypnotist. "The idea of its being pushed away out of sight will remain with your sub-consciousness longer than you dream of. Such things belong to a wonderful science that all people ought to know. Where was the chair standing that night, as near as you can remember?"

"Exactly there." And Whidby placed the chair within a few feet of the bed.

"Ah, yes," said the hypnotist. "I see where you touched it that night with your hand. Now, do as I direct you. Leave it exactly where it is, and to-night when you go to bed place your shirt on it precisely as you did before. All these things will aid you to sleep soundly, and, believe me, that is what you need above all things just now. Remember when you lie down to-night that I have told you positively, on my honor, that you will sleep better than you ever have slept before."

"You mean?" Col. Warrenton interrupted, "that it will be necessary for him to sleep well before—before the—test?"

A slight, almost unnoticeable, look of vexation passed over the face of the hypnotist, but it was gone when he began to speak.

"Oh, no, only that it will put him in a better humor. He is rather too despondent for his own good. I don't want to talk to him about any test now. That will be for the future. Perhaps we won't have it at all."

## CHAPTER XI.

After Dr. Lampkin and Col. Warrenton had taken their leave and were on the way down town, Dr. Lampkin said: "I must make a confession to you. What I said about wanting to talk over a legal point was only a pretext to see you alone about another matter. Your friend must be hypnotized to-night after he falls asleep naturally. You see, I had to get the idea of the test out of his mind, for that would have made him unusually wakeful. If he was hypnotized on the night of the murder it was done when he was asleep, and of course, for our test, the conditions must be the same. I have prepared his mind so that he will sleep soundly to-night, and, if everything works well, I think that I can prove conclusively what his actions were on the night of the murder."

"I see," replied the colonel. "I place myself in your hands. Use me as you will."

"You must take him for a short drive this evening at about seven," continued the doctor. "While you are out I shall come in and secrete myself somewhere upstairs. Then you must make some excuse for wanting to spend the night in his house. I would have you occupy the bed of the murdered man, but I am afraid Whidby would be surprised at your choice, so stay wherever he puts you, but manage to send that manservant away for the night. We shall want the house entirely to ourselves. About two o'clock in the morning I shall come to your room and arouse you. Whidby won't awake; I shall see to that."

"You can rely on me," the colonel promised; "but I should like to ask one question, if I may."

"As many as you like."

"From your observations so far, would you think the blood on the portiere, the spot on the chair, and the drop on the cuff would have come from Whidby's hand after simply touching the bloody sheet?"

"To be frank, I am going to work on the supposition that they could not," answered the hypnotist, and he left the colonel deeply perplexed.

A few moments after two o'clock the next morning, Warrenton, who had been put by Whidby into the large guest-chamber over Strong's old room, heard a light step on the stairs. He rose from a chair near the window and opened the door. It was the doctor.

"Why," said the visitor in surprise, "not asleep? I thought I should make you furious by rousing you from sweet dreams."

"Couldn't sleep to save my life," said the colonel, sheepishly. "I tried for four solid hours, but it was impossible. It was the thought of the whole uncanny business, I suppose."

"It is hardly impossible when one tries hard to sleep," said the hypnotist. He closed the door softly, and sat down on the side of the bed. "The idea is to forget all about it, and nature will do all the rest. An effort to sleep keeps the mind active, and activity of thought prevents sleep."

"Where have you been?" asked the colonel.

"Slumbering sweetly on a lounge in the library ever since Whidby turned in. If I had known that you were restless,

slowly and cautiously they descended the stairs. At Whidby's door the hypnotist stopped, held up his hand warningly, bent his body forward, and stood motionless for about two minutes. Warrenton did not know whether he was listening for a sound within or concentrating his hypnotic power on Whidby. In the dim moonlight that fell through the frost glass of the front door, the colonel could see the doctor's forehead was wrinkled, and his massive brows drawn together. Then the hypnotist stood erect, took a deep, full breath, and said: "It's all right now; come in."

He turned the doorknob and entered. Whidby was lying on his side. In the white light from without, his face looked pale and thin. The doctor bent over him and said, softly, but imperatively: "Sleep! sleep! you are sleeping now deeper and deeper. Ah, there you go!" Then, to the great astonishment of the colonel, he turned, laughed aloud, and spoke to him in an ordinary tone.

"Good! so far it could not be better. Now we are ready for the test. Ah!" as he noticed the colonel's start—"you need not be afraid of his hearing us; he is as far away as if he were dead. See."

The hypnotist chuckled with satisfaction as he pointed to the blood-stained chair near the bed and Whidby's shirt upon it—"see, he has followed my instructions to the letter. Good! The folding doors, I think, on the night of the murder, were pushed back and the curtains hung between; is that so?"

"Yes."

"All right." The hypnotist slid the doors apart, and released the portiere from the holders on each side. "Now for your role, and then we will begin. It may not be very pleasant for you, but you will oblige me if you will lie down in the bed in the next room in the same position as that in which they found the dead man."

Warrenton stared; then he laughed awkwardly, and said:

"All right; I am at your service."

"Whidby won't hurt you, I give you my word," said the doctor. "Take off your coat and throw down your suspenders—so. Now off with that collar and cravat, and turn the shirt under at the neck, this way. I would have asked you to wear a night shirt, but I was afraid you'd catch cold."

The colonel took off his slippers, turned down the sheets, and got into the bed, lying on his side with his face to the window.

"Was that Strong's position?" asked the hypnotist.

"As nearly as I can remember."

"All right. Now let me cover you—so. Now watch Whidby, and don't stir if he comes to you—not even if he touches you rather forcibly. I assure you he won't be able to hurt you."

"All right. I am ready."

The portiere was hanging between the two rooms, but Dr. Lampkin held it behind him as he leaned against one of the folding doors so that Warrenton could see Whidby's bed. The colonel could see the face of the hypnotist. His great flashing eyes were fixed on the sleeper, his brows contracted; all his mental force seemed concentrated upon one idea.

"Come, get up, get up!" he said, presently, in a tone of command.

Whidby caught his breath suddenly, as one suddenly waking from sleep. He turned over, rose slowly, and put his feet on the floor. "Come, stand up!" the hypnotist ordered, firmly. Whidby obeyed, looking as if he were wide awake. "Do as you were told to do on the night of the 10th of June. Do it, I say; don't hesitate."

Slowly Whidby walked toward the window at the head of his bed, but within a yard of it he suddenly stopped, threw up his hand in front of him with a repellent gesture, and retreated backward to the center of the room. "Do it, I say!" repeated the hypnotist. Once more Whidby slowly approached the window, with his hand outstretched, but again, with the same gesture, he stopped and retreated to the center of the room.

The colonel witnessed the whole proceedings. He fancied he saw an expression of vexation on the face of the hypnotist, every muscle of which seemed drawn, every vein about to burst. His large eyes seemed to start from their sockets. For the third time, though now no word was spoken, Whidby approached the window, and then, with a deep sigh and a strange child-like whimper, he returned to his bed and sat down on the side of it.

Ten minutes passed. The hypnotist stood like a statue. A thrill of sudden fear passed over the colonel. Could any man be sane with that look on his face? Some one passed along the street whistling, and carrying a lantern. Its light danced about on the walls for an instant. In the flashes the colonel saw Whidby had covered his face with his hands.

"Come, get up!" In the awful silence the tones sounded like a clap of thunder. The colonel heard them ringing in echoes in the hall. Whidby rose, passed the folding doors, and entered Strong's room. The hypnotist released the portiere, letting it fall across the opening, and cautiously followed Whidby, who slowly approached the foot of the bed and then went round to the right and

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Dr. Lampkin was close behind him, followed by Warrenton. They drew the portiere aside just in time to see Whidby strike the chair which was between him and the bed. He grasped the top of it with his right hand and leaped so far forward that the others thought he was going to lose his balance and fall on his face. However, he recovered his equilibrium, and paused to replace the shirt, which had fallen on the floor. Then he lay down on the bed, turned his face from them and closed his eyes.

The hypnotist bent over him. "Sleep, sleep!" he commanded. Then he turned to the colonel, a look of disappointment on his face. "Poor chap! I am sorry for him. It looks very much as if he had been made to commit the deed. I understand now what caused him to

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## SENTENCE SERMONS.

An example is the best argument.

Sin is not cured by calling it names.

Forgiveness is the sweetest revenge.

The man of great sighs is usually a small man.

A sled is slower than a tack-hammer; but—

He is a fool who milks no wisdom from adversity.

A man can feel good without being especially good.

You cannot whitewash yourself by blackening others.

A wise man will watch himself as well as his children.

Sheep that can be stolen are apt to turn out poor mutton.

A heavy sermon makes a good slinker, but a poor bait.

That virtue is always desirable which the devil derides.

Compared to the atheist, the devil is a monument of credulity.

Heights of philosophy are good places on which to freeze.

It is a sad religion that is never strong unless its owner is sick.

Every man who lets himself loose binds himself fast to the devil.

Habit is an incubator; everything depends on what you put into it.

Don't trust a man because he wears the golden rule in his hatband.

The man with the short meter practice is sure to make the long meter prayer.

The man who makes his own god would not want to be left alone with him in the dark.—Chicago Tribune.

## WEST INDIAN SUPERSTITION.

When a West Indian negro cuts his hair he always buries the severed hairs. He argues that they are a part of the body and therefore as much entitled to a grave as the rest of him will be.

To give the baby good luck they mark it on the forehead with a cross in washing blue or tie a blue ribbon on its arm. They will never, on any account, measure or weigh a baby, for that means the worst of bad luck.

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## Store Open Late....

## The Armies of Meade and Lee

A Fortieth Anniversary War Story  
December, 1862

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WHEN the year 1863 drew to its close the Army of the Potomac and the Army of Northern Virginia still confronted each other on the Rappahannock line not far from their camping grounds of the year before. In 1862 the little river had been the barrier between the men in blue and the men in gray; in December, 1862, the barrier had been the Rappahannock at Fredericksburg. Under Meade the northern soldiers gazed eagerly if indeed dubiously toward the far-off goal of their efforts, Richmond, on the James; under Lee the southerners stood sullenly at bay.

After what was called the Mine run fiasco, which culminated the first week in December in the retirement of Meade's troops to winter quarters along the Rappahannock and Rapidan, all idea of a decisive battle to close the year was abandoned alike by chieftain and private soldier. Battles are felt in the air like the weather in the bones of sensitive people. Had either Meade or Lee been minded for a finish fight the waters of Mine run would have turned to blood Nov. 30 or Dec. 1, the first named day by Meade's initiative and the second by Lee's. When Lee saw that Meade had divided his army on the 30th for the purpose of a combined direct and flank attack, yet was too cautious to risk battle against the breastworks which had grown up across his pathway in a night, he debated for the moment falling upon the Federal flanking column with a Jackson-like swoop and getting his revenge for defeat at Gettysburg. But the time had come for Lee to play a waiting game and cling to the defensive.

Both of the antagonists in the mighty struggle over Richmond had learned something from the experiences at Fredericksburg. Lee defended the crossing of the Rappahannock at that point in December, 1862, with little effort, and the Army of the Potomac under Burnside failed, with frightful loss, to make the passage and seize the road to Richmond. But later that same army under Hooker crossed the Rappahannock above Fredericksburg and turned the flank of the formidable heights which had checked Burnside. Having learned the way across above the town and the advantages of that route, the Federals would never again be so blind as to run against the stone wall of Marye's heights. Lee therefore took the lesson given by Hooker's successful strategy, abandoned the upper Rappahannock without a struggle to the Federals and planted his lines on the Rapidan to block the road to Richmond.

The south bank of the Rapidan was an ideal resting camp for the defenders of Richmond as the game stood at the close of 1862. The region had escaped the ravages of war, good roads connected it with Richmond, southern and southwestern Virginia and the Shenandoah valley, that granary of the Confederacy, not yet wholly despoiled. With his heels planted there, Lee was hard to get at and dislodge, as was shown by the Mine run fiasco. From there he could strike out to the north again should he see his opportunity and, best of all for the part he was playing, launch his whole command forth in a day and block the roads from the Rappahannock to Richmond.

Lee's soldiers were sadly in need of the resting spell they were to have on the Rapidan for the months that lay ahead of them. Over a year had passed since they were welcomed to the shores of "Maryland, My Maryland," with the greeting from the lips of an enthusiastic gray haired dame, "God bless your dirty, ragged, hungry souls!" The twelve months thereafter, comprising Antietam, Chancellorsville and Gettysburg, had not improved things, and they were dirty, ragged and hungry still. The Virginians were furloughed to their homes to recuperate, thus relieving the commissary of so many hungry mouths and leaving more for the far down southerners. The Confederate cavaliers owned their own mounts, and the Virginia troopers took their steeds home to fatten up for the spring rides. In this way men could do picket and outpost duty against the Federals and still be enjoying the comforts of home. Thus the "eyes of Lee," Stuart's Virginia squadrons, were never shut to the doings of the enemy.

Having the tragic end of the conflict to bear and playing, as they well knew in 1863, a losing game, it might be supposed that the men in gray were a gloomy lot, but such was far from the truth. They could laugh over a menu of corned meat and molasses, for tobacco, that eternal and inextinguishable solace of the camp idler, grew on every bush, as it were, in the sacred soil of old Virginia. And the leaf was legal tender across the lines. A regular contraband traffic was kept up with the Yankee outposts, and tons of northern hard bread, coffee and sugar passed by the underground "system" to the huts of the interred butternut battalions on the southern bank of the Rapidan.

There was one thing Lee could not do in the off hours between the campaigns of 1862 and 1864 which his enemy did zealously. That was recruit the depleted ranks. Already conscription in the south had robbed the cradle and the grave. But in the northern camps reorganization, recruiting and re-enlisting by wholesale were the order of the day. Meade achieved no brilliant strokes of battle or strategy,

but he hung to the trail of the retreating Army of Northern Virginia with a never let up persistency that led his soldiers and the whole country backing them up to believe that when the dogs of war got loose again it would be for the final run. The whole country north was a vast recruiting camp for the Army of the Potomac, and long service regiments were furloughed in a body to re-enlist and fill up the gaps made by battle and disease with raw recruits.

It is idle to anticipate and say that the enthusiasm and determination of the Army of the Potomac in the winter of 1863-64 were inspired by a foreshadowing of the coming of Grant. Grant was not promoted to be general in chief until March, 1864. The writer was in the army from Yorktown to Appomattox and well remembers how under the stimulation of events of the field from day to day—victory and defeat, defeat and victory—the purpose grew in the hearts of the veteran soldiery until it became a passion to take Richmond and take it by running down or running over the Army of Northern Virginia.

After the army set out for Richmond in May, 1864, it was reviewed on the march by a spirited young southern girl mounted on a horse at the gate of a plantation home. Said she, "What do you expect to do?" Some one called out, "To take Richmond." "Well," said the girl, glancing at the interminable lines which had been passing already two days, "I think you'll do it, but not until you wade to your knees in blood." No one retorted in the gruesome prophecy, but all who heard it felt like saying, "Bring on your blood." This was the spirit of the Army of the Potomac then and had been all along, not from bloodthirstiness, but from a fixed determination to have it over and go back to their farms and shops and counting rooms.

While Meade as a leader of the army didn't inspire enthusiasm in the troops, he held their respect and confidence. As sober and serious as "Pap" Thomas and "Uncle John" Sedgwick, he lacked their genial ways with the men, but he



GENERAL ROBERT E. LEE IN THE FIELD.

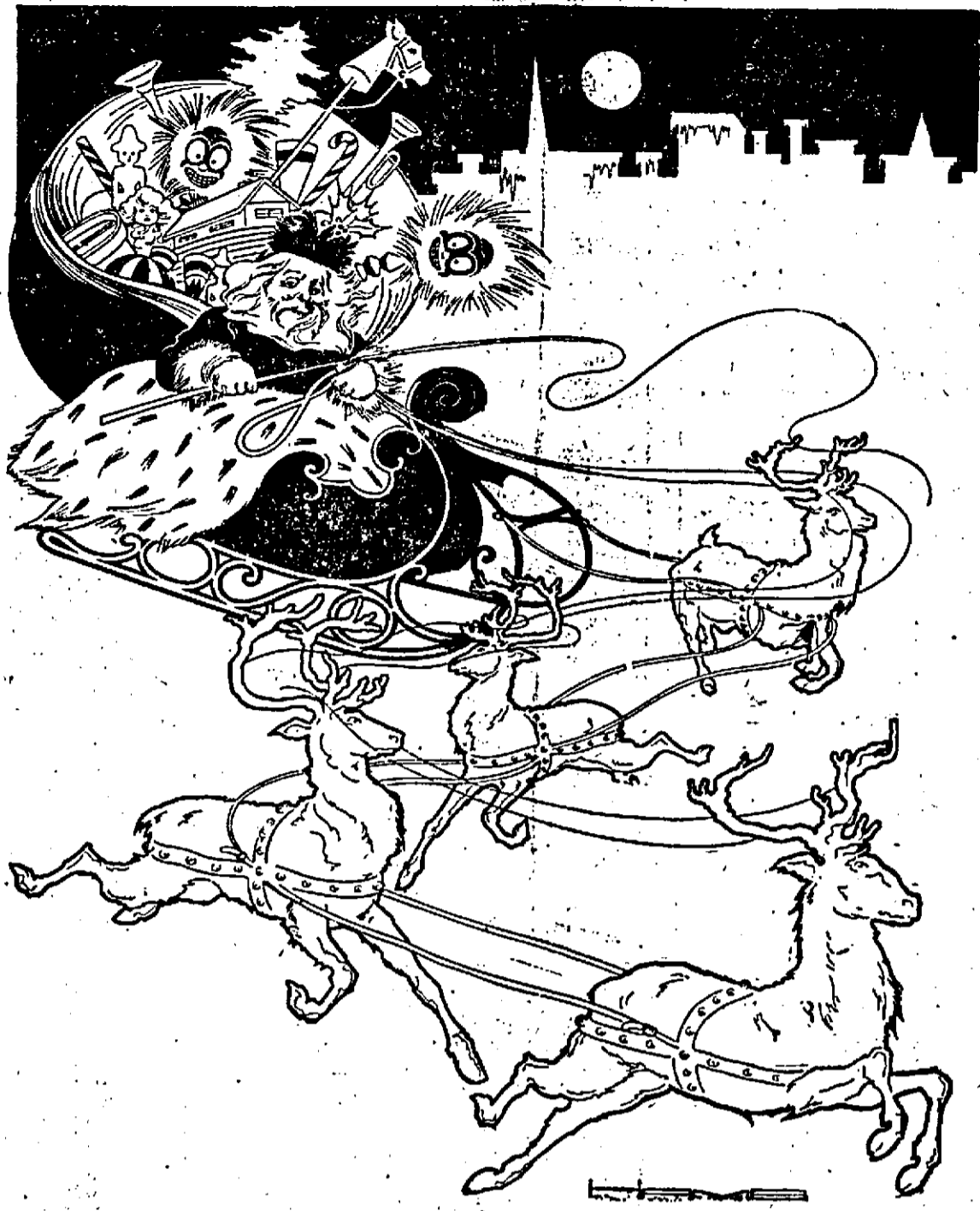
had succeeded at Gettysburg, and that was everything. A certain headquarters clique was busily discussing how Meade came near being defeated at Gettysburg and how he won out by the genius of other hands. Of this the soldiers knew nothing. The army had scored a tremendous victory, and Meade was at the head of it.

Furthermore, Meade in personality was the exact opposite of two generals who had led the army to disaster and yet were especially popular with the troops, Burnside and Hooker. When it comes to a matter of life or death, of an endless war or progress toward victory, volunteers will not let their personal preference count in the matter of loyalty to a leader. At that stage of the game a leader might be a camp tyrant, yet if he won battles the men would swear by him.

Meade's handling of the army after Gettysburg lifted him in the eyes of the soldiers when at last they stood on the banks of the Rapidan, the Rappahannock behind them, Richmond in front and the slaughter pen at Fredericksburg avoided. Men are ready to fight and bleed with a fair prospect of winning, but they protest against hopeless slaughter, and the commander who aims to save them from that may count upon their devotion.

It is true that Lee took his stand on the Rapidan and drew Meade after him, but Lee's tactics were decided by the necessity of guarding the pass at Orange Court House, which Meade would have seized if given opportunity. Thus Lee on the Rapidan was the outpost guard of Richmond, and Meade camped at the gates of the citadel to watch and wait for the opening of the battle season of 1864.

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### MADMAN THREATENS GOVERNOR

Enters Office of Nebraska Executive and Declares Dietrich Is Innocent.

Omaha, Neb., Dec. 23.—A lunatic escaped from the Soldiers' and Sailors' Home at Grand Island, entered Gov. Michey's office at Lincoln, brandished a large paperknife and declared that Senator Dietrich, just indicted, was innocent. He then attempted to assassinate the governor. By smooth words and promises he was placated, but escaped before the police could be called.

### BRYAN BUYS HIS BIRTHPLACE

Nebraskan Becomes Owner of the Old Homestead at Salem, Ill.

Centralla, Ill., Dec. 23.—The real estate transfers show the sale by Senator Charles E. Hull to William Jennings Bryan of the old Bryan homestead on Broadway in Salem. This is the house in which William Jennings Bryan was born. The consideration named in the deed is \$2,000 and Mr. Bryan traded an eighty-acre farm in this county for it.

### Rob Bank at Anchor.

Bloomington, Ill., Dec. 23.—After cutting all the telephone wires leading out of the city, bank robbers blew open the vault of the bank at Anchor, but were frightened away by the ringing of telephone bells. They got a small amount of plunder.

### Death Penalty for Woman.

Bennington, Vt., Dec. 23.—Mrs. Mary A. Rogers was found guilty of murder in the first degree in killing her husband, Marcus H. Rogers, on Aug. 12, 1902. The verdict carries the death penalty.

### Direct Senatorial Votes.

Baton Rouge, La., Dec. 23.—The Louisiana legislature has adopted a resolution directing the two United States senators from that state to vote for the Panama canal treaty.

### Prisoner Confesses.

Wheeling, W. Va., Dec. 23.—James Lucas, arrested for the fatal attack upon Blister Alma at Elm Grove, has made a full confession.

### Fatal Railroad Frog.

Morristown, N. J., Dec. 23.—Samuel Turner's foot caught in the frog of a switch here and he was killed at nearly the same spot where his father was killed ten years ago and at the same place, where his grandfather was killed ten years previous to that.

### Woman Kills Man for Debt.

Holena, Mont., Dec. 23.—Charles Hillson was shot and killed by Mattie Lee in a saloon at Phillipsburg. The woman claimed Hillson owed her a small amount of money. When Hillson refused to pay her she shot him in the head.

### Ferryboat in Collision.

New York, Dec. 23.—While the ferryboat America, bound from Williamsburg to this city, was in midstream it collided with the torpedo boat Winslow. There was a panic among the passengers, but no one was injured.

### GETS MILLIONS FOR WYOMING

Buffalo Bill to Build Canal and Stores and Start Auto Line.

Cody, Wyo., Dec. 23.—Col. W. F. Cody, or Buffalo Bill, wires from New York that he has secured \$3,500,000 in cash with which to build a big canal and irrigation ditch in the Big Horn basin, to establish mercantile houses, breeding farms, hotels and hunting lodges in northern Wyoming and an automobile line between Cody and the Yellowstone park. The canal will irrigate several hundred thousand acres of the richest land in the West. Col. Cody has been trying for years to interest capitalists in these pet projects. Work on the canal will begin early next spring and will be pushed vigorously to completion.

### Clairvoyants Under Arrest.

Duluth, Minn., Dec. 23.—Professors Clayton and Linscott, clairvoyants, were arrested here on advice from the sheriff of Decatur, Ill., for embezzlement. They refuse to return to Illinois. It is charged that they operated extensively in Illinois, being involved in swindles aggregating \$50,000.

### Twilight at Noon.

Berlin, Dec. 23.—Berlin was plunged in twilight at noon Dec. 23, the entire life of the capital being carried on for some time by artificial light. The meteorological office attributes it to the light, motionless atmosphere and the consequent failure of the city's smoke and vapors to ascend.

### Pays Bond Interest.

Washington, Dec. 23.—The treasury department will shortly begin mailing checks in payment of the interest on outstanding bonds due January 1. The amount to be disbursed is: On 4 per cent bonds, \$1,008,149.50; on 2 per cents, \$2,710,764.50.

### Senator Cullom Is Ill.

Washington, Dec. 23.—Senator Cullom was compelled by illness to leave the capitol and go to his residence. A physician was called and said the senator was suffering from grip, but his condition is not serious.

### Coghlan Asks for Collier.

Washington, Dec. 23.—Rear Admiral Coghlan has cabled the navy department requesting that an additional collier be assigned to his squadron. His request has been granted, but a vessel has not yet been selected.

### Will Close All Exchanges.

New York, Dec. 23.—All the prominent exchanges throughout the country will remain closed Saturday next, as well as Christmas day. The important foreign grain and stock exchanges will also be closed.

### Light Project Is Abandoned.

Kewanee, Ill., Dec. 23.—After a careful investigation, extending over several months, the Kewanee city council has abandoned the idea of building and operating a municipal electric lighting plant.

### Actress Is Murdered.

Metz, Germany, Dec. 23.—The police of Metz have been roused by the murder of a noted actress named Villet by a wealthy admirer whom she had repulsed.

### GUESTS JUMP TO ESCAPE FIRE

One Life Is Lost Out of Thirteen in Michigan Hotel Blaze.

Menominee, Mich., Dec. 23.—Fire caused twelve persons to jump from the second-story windows of the Travelers Home, a small hotel here. The thirteenth guest, James Beatty, was found dead in the ruins. Joseph Vorachek was fatally burned and Wilfred Barney seriously. Fred Jenaki was badly injured in jumping. The hotel was practically destroyed. Loss under \$5,000.

### Union Is Restrained by Court.

Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 23.—A preliminary injunction was issued by the Common Pleas court restraining local branch No. 53 of the Wood, Fire and Lathers' International union from interfering with the workmen employed by Merritt & Co., metal lathe and fireproofers.

### Bryan at St. Petersburg.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 23.—The czar has sent his photograph with his autograph affixed to William J. Bryan. Ambassador McCormick gave a luncheon to Mr. Bryan, Prince Khilkoff, the minister of public works and railroads, and other high officials.

### Makes \$24,000,000 Levy.

Newark, N. J., Dec. 23.—Judge Kirkpatrick on application of Receiver Tatnall of the Asphalt Company of America, signed an order to levy an assessment of 80 per cent—\$24,000,000—against all stockholders, that sum being due to creditors.

### Water Flow Is Increased.

Joliet, Ill., Dec. 23.—For the relief of Joliet the Drainage Board president has ordered an increased flow of water and the bear trap dam at Lockport is to be lowered.

### "Blind Tom" on the Stage Again.

New York, Dec. 23.—"Blind Tom," the well known negro piano player, whose fame thirty years ago extended all over the country, is to go on the stage again.

### Senator Hanna Improves.

New York, Dec. 23.—It was said at the Waldorf that the condition of Senator Hanna, who is suffering a slight attack of grip, is much improved.

### For Roosevelt's Christmas.

Fort Worth, Tex., Dec. 23.—D. W. Black has furnished Christmas roast beef for President Roosevelt from his ranch in the Panhandle.

### Robbers Get \$5,000.

Tower Hill, Ill., Dec. 23.—Robbers entered the bank at Tower Hill, blew the safe open and escaped with about \$5,000.

### Pope Plus and the Number Nine.

Strange coincidences nearly always mark great characters. Nine years, the Italians say, Pope Plus X was in the seminary, nine years a parish priest, nine years archbishop, nine years a canon of Treviso, nine years bishop of Mantua, nine years cardinal and patriarch of Venice. And nine years pontiff come naturally into the minds of those who are impressed by coincidences.

## Grant In a New Role

A FORTIETH ANNIVERSARY WAR STORY  
December, 1863

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GRANT'S rise to the head of the United States army was by no means a Napoleonic stride. It was a two years' hard climb. At the end of the first year he had won two battles, Fort Donelson and Shiloh, and been immediately shelved after each event. At the close of 1863 he was credited with two more victories, Vicksburg and Chattanooga, and then the tide turned. There was no repetition of the quibbling and fault finding which after Donelson and Shiloh had brought him into temporary disfavor and even disgrace. As a sequel to Donelson he had been put in arrest and after Shiloh humiliated in the eyes of the army by being ranked as "second in command."

When the Confederate army abandoned the struggle for Chattanooga in November, 1863, and marched southward into Georgia, Grant immediately began to plan a new campaign and take Atlanta. His command was then one of the several military divisions in existence under as many generals. It comprised the region between the Alleghenies and the Mississippi river, extending south to Louisiana, where Banks was general in chief. Sherman, Thomas and Burnside were at the head of three distinct armies, all under the control of Grant.

The central point in Grant's military division for having telegraphic communication with his generals and also with Washington was Nashville, and Grant removed his headquarters from the front at Chattanooga to that point late in December. This change of loca-

and not always complimentary to the supposed chief of the army. However, the populace were enthusiastic supporters of the government at Washington, and Grant took their criticisms with good humor.

During this east-Tennessee trip the future head of all the armies had a tilt with the by no means amiable temper ed secretary of war, Mr. Stanton. It seems that there was but one man at headquarters in Nashville who knew the military cipher used in telegraphing at the front. This man was the operator himself, and it was necessary that he remain at his post in Nashville to receive and forward dispatches coming in cipher. But Grant wished to keep in touch with Washington and his distant generals while on his travels and instructed the operator to divulge the cipher to a member of his staff. This the operator refused point blank to do, resting under his imperative order not to reveal it to anybody.

Grant explained the case quietly, but the operator remained stubborn, and the general threatened to use force. It being a case of evil at hand and evil away off in Washington, the operator yielded up the secret code. When Grant returned to Nashville later the operator had been censured by Stanton and ordered to be relieved. Grant wired the secretary of war that the man could not be relieved. The operator had disobeyed his chief superior under threats from his immediate superior. It was a military necessity that Grant should have the army dispatches interpreted to him at once, and if anybody must suffer it should be



GENERAL U. S. GRANT IN 1863.

tion was less a matter of convenience than security. The wires could carry messages to Chattanooga as readily as to Nashville—that is, if the Confederate rough riders didn't interfere, and this they had a habit of doing. Morgan, the Kentucky raider, who more than once had stampeded Federal generals and the Washington heads with tricks at the telegraph, had indeed been lodged in an Ohio penitentiary during the summer, but had dug his way through stone and mortar with a common table knife and was once more with his rough riding band. Forrest, the prince of raiders, was even then, the last days of December, riding at will in west Tennessee and might take a notion to pass the holidays in the Federal rear of Chattanooga.

But while backing away in person from the army front in Georgia Grant kept his mind fixed on that particular end of the military problem for the new year. His motto for Thomas, who was confronted with a powerful foe at Dalton, thirty-eight miles away, was "On to Atlanta!" He expected to retain the command he then held—the military division—to push Thomas forward toward the goal direct from his winter camp at Chattanooga and to use Sherman's forces at Memphis and Vicksburg wherever they would do the most good.

The Army of the Ohio under Burnside was to winter at Knoxville, in east Tennessee, a region quite unknown to Grant, and he left Nashville a day or two before Christmas to look over the situation there. Traveling by rail, steamboat and on horseback, he made the circuit from Nashville to Chattanooga, thence to Knoxville and Lexington, Ky., and back to Nashville. Naturally the people of the region were curious to see the new star in the military firmament, and the trip was something of an ovation for the headquarters party. Grant was then forty-one years old and not of imposing appearance in any way. His medical director, on the contrary, was a graybeard, over fifty and a man of commanding presence. The crowd swarmed about the medicine man and pilled him with queries, supposing him to be the chief, while Grant quietly moved about, listening to remarks not intended for his ears

Grant, and not the humble subordinate. Nobody was punished, and Grant remained at peace with the choleric secretary until the close of the war.

One of the first news items brought before Grant on his return to Nashville from this Knoxville Christmas trip was to the effect that "his eldest son, Fred Grant, who had been with him in the Vicksburg campaign and contracted a sickness in camp, was lying dangerously ill and possibly on his deathbed in St. Louis. He asked for leave of absence to visit his son. This was not granted, but he was given permission to transfer headquarters temporarily to Nashville so as to keep active control of the armies while waiting the issue by the side of his sick boy.

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 Janesville Chapter, No. 63, O. E. S.—2nd and 4th Wednesday.  
 I. O. O. F.  
 Wisconsin Lodge, No. 14.—Every Wednesday.  
 Janesville City Lodge, No. 90.—Every Tuesday.  
 Rock River Encampment, No. 8.—1st and 3rd Friday.  
 Elks Lodge, No. 1, B. P. O. E.—1st and 3rd Monday.  
 American Lodge, No. 20, D. of H. 2nd and 4th Saturday.  
 Social and Benefit Club.—1st Thursday.  
 Janesville Lodge, No. 171, D. of H.—2nd and 4th Thursday.  
 Catholic Knights of Wisconsin, Branch, No. 60.—Sunday.  
 Elks.  
 Janesville Lodge, No. 251.—Every Tuesday.  
 G. A. R.  
 W. H. Sargent Post, No. 28.—2nd and 4th Friday.  
 W. H. Sargent Corps, No. 21, W. M. C.—Every Alternate Tuesday.  
 Division, No. 1.—2nd Sunday.  
 Knights of the Globe.  
 Janesville Garrison, No. 19.—2nd and 4th Tuesday.  
 Knights of the Maccabees.  
 Rock River Tent, No. 61.—1st and 3rd Monday.  
 Rock River Tribe, No. 71, Ladies of the Maccabees.—1st and 3rd Sunday.  
 Knights of Pythias.  
 Oriental Lodge, No. 22.—Meets every Friday.  
 Modern Woodmen of America.  
 Florence Camp No. 343.—2nd and 4th Monday.  
 Crystal Camp, No. 182.—2nd and 4th Wednesday.  
 National Union.  
 Janesville Council, No. 228.—1st Tuesday.  
 United Workmen.  
 Fraternal Reserve Association meets first and third Thursdays at Good Templars' hall.  
 Olive Branch, No. 56.—2nd and 4th Friday.  
 Olive Lodge, No. 27, Degree of Honor.—1st and 3rd Wednesday.  
 Laurel Lodge, No. 27, Degree of Honor.—1st and 3rd Thursday.  
 Budget Council, No. 223, Royal Arcanum.—2nd and 4th Monday.  
 Independent Order of Foresters.—4th Monday.  
 Mystic Workers of the World.—1st and 3rd Tuesday.  
 Omega Council, No. 213, Royal League.—1st and 3rd Tuesday.  
 Woman's Catholic Order of Foresters.—2nd and 4th Tuesday.  
 Beavers.—2nd and 4th Tuesday.  
 Society, No. 2, B. H. F. P.—4th Tuesday.  
 St. Patrick's Court, No. 318.—1st and 3rd Wednesday.  
 Crystal Camp, No. 132, H. N. A.—Rock River Grange, P. of H.  
 I. O. O. F. Court, No. 1, Tribe of Ben Hur.—2nd and 4th Wednesday.  
 Knights of Columbus.—1st and 3rd Thursday.  
 People's Lodge, No. 460, I. O. O. T.—Every 3rd Friday.  
 Boyer City Verdon, No. 31, Germania Unterstuetzungs Verein.—3rd Friday.  
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 Federal Labor Union.—1st and 3rd Wednesday.  
 Typographical Union.—1st Wednesday.  
 Trades Council, Building Trades Council.—2nd and 4th Wednesday.  
 Woodworkers' Union.—4th Thursday.  
 Cigar Makers Union.—2nd Wednesday.  
 Boot & Shoe Workers' Union.—1st Thursday.  
 Plumbers' Union.—1st and 3rd Thursday.  
 Teamsters' Union.—1st and 3rd Thursday.  
 Amalgamated Sheet Metal Workers' Union.—1st and 3rd Friday.  
 International Association of Railway Clerks meets first Thursday in Beloit and third Tuesday in Janesville.  
 Interior Freight Handlers and Warehouse Men's International Union No. 57 meets first and 3rd Wednesdays.  
 Carpenters' Union.—1st and 3rd Friday.  
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 Stone Cutters' Association of North America.—3rd Friday.  
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GENERAL W. T. SHERMAN IN 1863.

to Virginia, whence he came, but Burnside declined the offer, preferring to let well enough alone. Meanwhile reports were coming in from the west that trouble was brewing in Uncle Billy's own backwater along the Mississippi. The Confederates still maintained troops in Mississippi, and Forrest had broken loose on his old warpath in west Tennessee and was raiding the country under the nose of the Federal garrisons, carrying off to his late rich military stores, beef cattle, wagons and conscripts.

When Sherman marched away from Vicksburg in November to the field at Chattanooga, he left a corps under McPherson at that point to guard the river navigation. He also left a corps under General Hurlburt at Memphis to guard the river and to garrison the railroads in west Tennessee. At that time there was a network of blockhouses in west Tennessee to defend the railroads against cavalry forays, for Forrest had again and again galloped almost at will through that region from the Mississippi line to the Kentucky border, gathering in vast spoils of war. Taking advantage of the delinquency at Chattanooga and Sherman's absence with part of his command, Forrest, with a freshly organized band of mounted men, dashed across the border into west Tennessee early in December.

The first halt of the raiders was at Bolivar, where the people gave the men in gray an ovation. Sending scouts in the direction of the Federal lines at

Memphis, Forrest pushed on to Jackson, which he made a rendezvous for conscripts whom Confederate military agents were gathering in the region. The bands of recruits were too small to fight their way through the Federal cordon of guards on the border, but with Forrest in the field at the head of several brigades there was little risk in rallying to the standards of the south. At the end of a week the raiding force had been augmented by 1,700 recruits. Meanwhile the Yankees did not intend to give Forrest free range of the rich preserve. General Hurlburt, the Federal commander at Memphis, sent out a force to cut the raiders off from Mississippi, and at the same time news of the foray brought down detachments from the north to fall upon the invaders at that quarter. Forrest learned from his scouts that the enemy was massing on all sides and decided to make a sudden dash for home across the Mississippi border. For weeks the country had been drenched with heavy rain, but on Christmas day the weather was bright with promise of fair skies for days to come. At the close of the day the whole command started southward. Nearly 3,000 recruits had been gathered in and a long train of animals and wagons.

To steal out of west Tennessee before the eyes of the alert Federals was a feat to tax the genius of even a Forrest, especially as he had been up to the trick before, and his enemy knew just how to take him. In order to cover the movement from the strong body of enemies known to be at Memphis the raiding chief sent forward a picked detachment of 700 troopers to threaten an attack on that town. This column rode within four miles of Memphis, drawing off a large body of Federals in pursuit toward the Mississippi border, while Forrest, with the main column, crossed Wolf river.

The crossing of Wolf river was accomplished with a show of readiness and energy characteristic of Forrest. There was but one bridge on the river, and that had been put in order by the Federals for the purpose of throwing troops across to catch the raiders. The Federals had also built a small work to defend the bridge, and the door planks were kept stored under its guns for use whenever the bridge might be needed for troops on the southern side. On approaching the bridge Forrest sent out 200 riders to make a feint of crossing the river below, and at the same time Colonel Tyree H. Bell, with 200 sabers, rode through a dense wood toward the site of the bridge.

Led by skillful guides, Bell's party dismounted and at a signal dashed for the bridge, charging across the bare timbers and firing one volley into the blockhouse, only thirty feet from the bank. The Federals didn't stand light, and Forrest relaid the bridge, crossing safely his whole column. The raiders were now out of the woods and on New Year's day, 1864, were in their old camp at Okolona with 3,000 raw men, their trains, artillery and cattle intact. They had marched out of Tennessee in the face of 20,000 Federals.

At the very time when Forrest was galloping northward over the border into west Tennessee on his daring raid Sherman was speeding by rail from Chattanooga to Nashville to lay before his chief plans to wipe out the raiding band and also to free Mississippi entirely from Confederate troops. Grant had removed his own headquarters from Chattanooga to Nashville to avoid having his communications cut with Washington by raiding Confederates. His first campaign against Vicksburg had been brought to a sudden end by this sort of enterprise on the part of his foe. Forrest played a chief role in that affair.

Sherman wanted to use his troops under McPherson and Hurlburt at Vicksburg and Memphis and "strike a blow" east of the Mississippi. Grant told him to go ahead. From Nashville he proceeded to Ohio to pass Christmas with his family and started down the river from Cairo early in January. Forrest was then safe in his old camp dividing the spoils of the raid and whetting his sabers for a new campaign. When Sherman got ready to strike, Forrest was ready, as usual, to parry the blow.

Meanwhile the victors of Lookout Mountain and Mission Ridge remained at Chattanooga with Thomas at their head. These troops were to form the bulk of the army which later would go forward under Sherman to skin the southwestern leg of the Confederacy, take Atlanta and march to the sea. Thomas had in his front at the beginning of the new year the old foes of Chickamauga and Chattanooga. These Confederate forces on retreating from Mission Ridge had marched back to Dalton, thirty-eight miles south of Chattanooga. Toward the close of December their old commander, Braxton Bragg, was succeeded by General Joseph E. Johnston, a leader last met with in the battles around Richmond in 1862.

Longstreet still held on in east Tennessee between two fires, with Burnside north of him at Knoxville and Thomas south at Chattanooga. Thomas was himself between three fires, for, besides Longstreet to the north and Johnston south, a large Confederate force, including Forrest's cavalry, hovered in Mississippi west of him. Out of this mixed situation of December, 1863, was to come the straight ahead march of Sherman in the Atlanta campaign of 1864.

GEORGE L. KILMER.

**Great Wine Consumption.**  
The Portuguese are great consumers of wine, owing to its extreme cheapness, but there is not much drunkenness.

**California Oranges for Japan.**  
A commercial agent of the Japanese government is in California to make an experiment in shipping California oranges to Japan.

## ALL NOW AMERICAN

INHABITANTS OF THE SKAGWAY REGION REJOICE.

Many Had Given Up Riches Rather Than Renounce Their Flag—Humor of the Miners Is Characteristically That of the West.

(Special Correspondence.)  
The hardy inhabitants of Skagway and neighboring towns have now "pulled the Stars and Stripes to the mast." They have always said that they were Americans, and now that the Alaskan boundary commission has decided that this once disputed region belongs to the United States and not to Canada, there has been many an impulsive Alaskan who has "celebrated" in the most approved Western style.

Any one who has visited the part of Alaska that has been in dispute has soon discovered that it was characteristically American. Here he found only another form of the same Americanism which penetrated the wilderness of the prairie of the United States a half-century ago and built cities where the buffalo roamed.

In Skagway, at the head of the Lynn canal, and now the metropolis of this district, there are even tokens of the civilization of far-away New York. There is another Broadway, and although not walled up with skyscraping office buildings nor perforated with a subway, yet in Skagway, as in Manhattan, Broadway is Broadway.

When the thick gold streaks of the Atlin district were discovered, just over the border line, the wide awake citizens of Skagway were the first to pounce down on them. They hustled across White Pass and staked out the best claim. After a time came the Canadian officials, with the demand that the American miners should become Canadian citizens. There was hardly a man who did not refuse.

"The flag is better than gold," was a saying which was heard on every hand. So most of the miners went back to Skagway and sought to make their fortunes in various lines of trade and manufacture. But soon there was another bit of news which frightened the more timid ones.

"Canada is After Skagway" was the headline of one weekly newspaper's article, and it went on to say that the Dominion had revived its old claim to this territory. The sister town of Dyea also took alarm, for it, too, was within the disputed territory. A few emigrated to where the Stars and Stripes floated without danger of being supplanted by the Union Jack. But the majority simply waited for "something to turn up."

For a time, indeed, things looked ominous. The rougher element said there would be a fight. A squad of mounted Canadian police moved their headquarters to White Pass, within the disputed territory, and raised the British flag. As soon as the news reached Skagway a crowd of men gathered as rapidly as they do in Kentucky when the law is "too slow," and as soon as their horses could reach White Pass the British flag was torn down and the Stars and Stripes floated in its place. Then the police hoisted another British flag, and again a posse of Skagway citizens started out to pull it down. There might have been blood spilled had not prominent Americans interfered. At last the Skagwayans went to a higher peak and unfurled a still larger American flag. The two emblems of empire floated there all summer undisturbed.

Another evidence that the disputed land must always be American, although the point was not brought out before the arbitration tribunal, is the rough and ready humor which characterizes its inhabitants. It has the same ring as the jokes of the Texas cattleman or the Montana miner. A Canadian would not think of such an advertisement, for example, as that of the "South Dough Hotel." Among some of the inducements to patrons of this hostelry are the following:

"Crap, chuck luck, stud poker, and



Bridge Over Porcupine Creek, Skagway Trail.

black jack games run by the management." "Special rates for ministers and the gambling perfect." "Every known fluid, water excepted, sold here." "Dogs bought and sold." "Insect powder for sale at the bar." "Indians and negroes charged double." "Board, \$2 a square foot. Meals extra." "Spiked boots must be removed at night." "Any one troubled with nightmare will find a halter hitched to the bed post." "If the room gets too warm just open the window and let the fire escape." "All ballists desiring practice will find a pitcher on the stand." "This hotel is convenient to all cemeteries." "If the lamp goes out take a feather from the pillow and that will be light enough." "If you are fond of athletics lift up the mattress and watch the bed spring." Another hostelry, built up a large

and flourishing business by issuing circulars which bore this legend: "The mountaineers' saloon: finest, largest and quickest line of liquors in the American possessions. It's where the jolly good fellows hang out. Come here if you want to meet the boys."

A steam laundry which was established while the city was still roofed with canvas put out a sign which read:

"All kinds of washing done while you wait. Clothes guaranteed to fit after washing. Don't come if you want to kill anything."

Although there is a block on the East Side which possessed a city full of people, but never a bathhouse, the towns within the disputed Alaskan territory have long been used to such luxurious inventions. There was a plumber of Dyea in its palmiest days who made a small fortune in the plumbing business and whose cards read:

"Will fix you out with a porcelain lined tub for the most reasonable



Broadway.

rates. A bath in one of my tubs is better than a whole winter without one."

"Wonderful Escape from Death." A passenger by the Flying Scotchman from Enston to Aberdeen had a wonderful escape from injury the other night. As the train flew past Nun-eaton it was noticed that one of the carriage doors was swinging open. The train was stopped and it was found that a gentleman was missing. An engine and search party proceeded along the line, and the missing passenger was met walking by the side of the line. He said he had fallen from the train while it was going at between 60 and 70 miles an hour. The tremendous draught set up by the high speed is supposed to have whirled him into the hedge-side, alighting him on his feet.

**Found After Thirteen Years.**  
More than thirteen years ago a guide named Andre Untersteiner was lost in the Austrian Alps. It was supposed that he had fallen into a crevasse, but all attempts to find his body proved unavailing. Meanwhile the glaciers slowly slipped downward into the valley and a short time ago, near the village of Grossvenediger, a body was discovered frozen hard in the ice at the foot of a glacier. John Untersteiner recognized the body as that of his long-lost brother, Andre, and it was with some difficulty that the remains of the unfortunate guide were extricated, from the ice which had entombed them for so long.

**Prince Cupid's Satire.**  
The Hawaiian delegate to congress, Prince Kalanialuokalani, was chatting with a friend, who said to him: "You people in congress don't seem to be accomplishing much in the way of legislation at this extra session." "No, we're not passing many laws," said "Prince Cupid," as he is called, "but look at the mileage some of us draw."

**Successful Novels.**  
It is stated that nine of the most successful of modern novels aggregated a sale of over 1,600,000 copies. The paper on which these books were printed was made of wood fiber—cellulose—and the Pawtucket Gazette figures out that it required about 4,000 trees to furnish this paper.

**Bright's Disease and Diabetes News**  
Office Wine and Spirit Review, San Francisco, Nov. 3.  
To the Editor of the Gazette:  
Dear Sir:—The business men of this city who are now proclaiming to the world the discovery of the cure for Bright's disease and Diabetes have asked me to be one of the beneficiaries to write to some of my brother editors. Hence this letter to you. I was at first skeptical as anyone. I had reason to be. I had a clear case of chronic Bright's Disease; was ill for a year. It was not thought I would live thirty days. The President of the Pacific States Type Foundry told my wife that the newly discovered diuretic would save my life, and against my private convictions I was put on it. In six months my recovery was complete.

A friend of mine, Dr. A. J. Howe, a prominent physician, was nearly dead with Bright's Disease. On my recovery I told him and it acted the same in his case and he is now well on the road to recovery. I told one of the writers on the Call, whose mother had Diabetes. She has fully recovered. As a brother editor I personally assure you of the truth of the discovery. Thousands of lives are to be saved and I am writing in the hope that this letter will start some of them right.

Fraternally yours,  
R. M. WOOD, Editor.

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If you are not already convinced that Favorite Remedy is the medicine you need you may have a trial bottle sent you by mail absolutely free, by sending your address to the Dr. David Kennedy Corporation, Rondout, N. Y., and mentioning this paper.  
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THE DRUGGIST

GRAND HOTEL BLOCK.

## TO SAVE OLD FORT

HISTORIC CHIMNEY ISLAND MAY BE PURCHASED.

Ruins Are Now One of the Landmarks of New York—Scene of Fierce Conflicts Between the French and English.

(Special Correspondence.)

Daughters of the American Revolution have joined with the Daughters of the Empire of Canada in an effort to purchase historic Chimney Island. This interesting bit of ground is within American waters, about four miles below Ogdensburg, New York.

If Royale, or Chimney Island, as it is better known, figured most prominently in the early history of the St. Lawrence river, for on it was one of the principal forts of the chain extending from Louisiana to Louisiana by which the French defined the frontier of their possessions, and this stronghold was the one which chiefly determined the mastery of the river. Chevalier DuRoi built Fort Lewis thereon in 1740, nine years before Father Plquet built his fort and established the settlement at the present city of Ogdensburg. The chief interest in the island centers around the various operations in the period of the French and Indian war, and the present movement is to preserve for posterity the mementos of the decisive engagement fought there which opened the St. Lawrence to the English. There are on the island the ruins of the old fort and of the tall chimneys which gave to the island its name, and which stood for nearly a century like sentinels guarding the channel. Buried in the debris, caused by the demolition of the post by the English, are numerous relics of the alternate occupancy by the Indians, French and English. Underneath the swift running current which skirts the shore there are three cannon, two bronze and one brass, just as they were thrown overboard by the French in the fight in June, 1760, and in the center of the island, rearing its head far above the surrounding hills and forests, is the historic elm, which is estimated to have stood there for 900 years.

But brief mention is made in history of the eight days' fight on this piece of ground and the names of the heroes who struggled there are not given.

The flower of both the French and the English forces met there. On the one side was Gen. Pouchet, with the chivalry of France, numbering less than 1,000 men, and on the other were 2,000 regulars, provincials and Indians, under Gen. Geoffrey, Amherst, Gen. Bradstreet, Col. George Washington and Capt. Israel Putnam.

The expedition against this fortress was one of the three to drive the French out of Canada, after the conduct of the war had been taken over by Sir William Pitt. Gen. Pouchet had been obliged to surrender the post at Niagara to Sir William Johnson, but he was allowed to march out with the honors of war, and went with his force to St. Lawrence. Gen. Amherst captured Ogdensburg, and from there he sent Gen. Wolfe on to Quebec, while with the remainder of the force he went back to New York. Rendezvousing at Schenectady, went up the Hudson and across to Oswego with a considerable force. At Oswego a flotilla of about 300 small boats was constructed, which, conveyed by two bridges, started down the St. Lawrence. The first step was made at Fort Frontenac, new Kingston, which had surrendered to Gen. Bradstreet in 1758, and thence the flotilla went by an unknown course through the Thousand Islands. In the intricacies of the channels one of the boats became lost, and that incident has given the name to the "Lost Channel" of the St. Lawrence. While threading the narrow channels the fleet was suddenly confronted by two French frigates, which disputed further passage.

The fleet of galleys charged and captured one, and the other turned and fled.

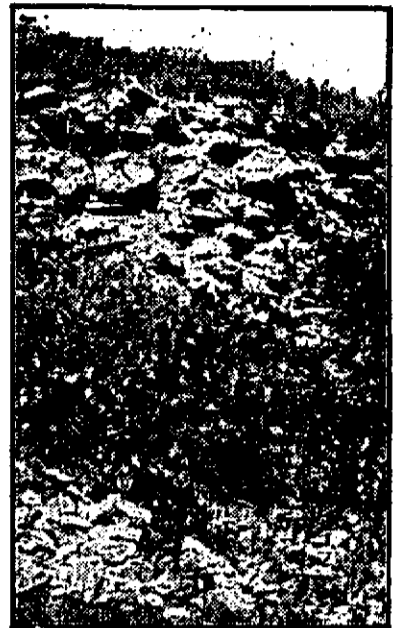


Waterfall on the island.

At Longley Point, between Brockville and Maitland, where Greasey had built a fort in 1748, a stop was made, but the garrison had withdrawn to St. Lawrence on the approach of the English. Arriving at Fort Presentation, now Ogdensburg, the English came upon the French brig, which had escaped, awaiting them in company with another at the mouth of the Oswegatchie river. Capt. Putnam was directed to capture the brig. Taking a number of the small boats, he divided them into three sections, and sending two of these against the larger boat from opposite sides, he in charge of the third section, crept under the stern. The attack was suc-

cessful, and after a short engagement the French crew was overpowered and the other boat struck its colors. The approach to the fort was now open and Gen. Amherst, Col. Washington, Capt. Gates and the rest of the troops disembarked at Pointe au Baril, a little west of Father Plquet's fort.

This fell easily before the superior numbers, and immediately preparations for the siege of Fort Lewis on St. Royale, three miles away, was begun. On June 20, 1760, the fort was invested. Batteries were placed on Butternut and Tick Islands, and on the adjacent mainland. In the fort were thirty-five 12-pound cannon, which were heavier than any that could be brought against them by the besiegers. Three days after the investiture the fort was opened upon the fort, which was kept up for four days with such execution that at the end of that time



Ruins of Old Fort.

the guns of the fort were dismantled and silenced.

On the morning of the eighth day, just as preparations were being made to assault, the garrison unconditionally surrendered. This opened the river to the English, and with the full of Quebec gave control of Canada. The victorious troops dismantled the fort, but the guns remained there until the Jay treaty in 1796 gave the island to the United States. It was ceded to individuals shortly after, and now is the property of Samuel Rogers, an American. It has been left practically untouched since that memorable engagement, and during the century and a quarter which have passed nature has obliterated many of the signs of strife there. It is a tradition that at the time of its capture the French had taken there a considerable amount of treasure, and this was sunk in the river just before the surrender.

### Sharp Flight with Eagles.

An exciting battle with four immense eagles which, it was believed, intended to attack two children, took place on the morning of the eighth day, at the village of Wakefield, Mass. When Carl Russell saw four of the big birds swoop down and alight in a tree under which two children were at play he expected an immediate attack upon the little ones, and opened fire. The shot one of the birds fell to the ground, but the others, instead of taking flight, went down to the protection of their fallen comrade. There the big birds put up a spirited battle to protect the dead eagle, and more than a dozen bullets were fired before they finally were driven away. The dead eagle measured seven feet from tip to tip, and had claws four inches in length. These were the first birds of this species seen in the vicinity of Wakefield in more than thirty years.

### Cats on Ocean Liners.

From eight to twelve cats are part of the equipment of every great ocean liner, and these same pussies duly appear on the ship's books, where their ratings are accounted for. Each cat is stationed at a different part of the ship, and certain stewards are told off to feed them daily. There is not a little rivalry between different stewards when the respective mortals as rat catchers of different cats under their charge are being discussed.

### Siamese Marriage Customs.

In Siam girls get married at about fourteen, and men at about twenty. When a young man is in love he gets an old woman to propose for him. The proposal is made to the girl's parents, and not to herself. The chances are she has never seen her would-be husband.

### Not To Be Wondered At.

Nikolaides Polites Popokónos has been arrested in New York on a charge of having given a false name eleven years ago when he applied for naturalization papers. A plea of justification will be entered.

### Jury Acquits Millionaire.

Carthage, Mo., Dec. 14.—Ben C. Aylor, the Webb City millionaire mine owner, who shot and killed Gordon Allen, a wealthy Joplin man, about two months ago, was acquitted by a jury in the Circuit court. Aylor's plea was self-defense.

### Tip for Autograph Fiends.

Senator Lodge not only keeps a diary, but preserves every letter which he receives and a copy of every letter which he writes. He is one of the most voluminous letter writers in public life, averaging perhaps forty missives per day. He has a storeroom full of his personal journals and letter files.

### Few Railways Fall.

In the first half of 1903 five railways went into the hands of receivers, but they aggregated but seventy-nine miles of track.

## A RESURRECTION

(Original.)

"My friend, I will trouble you for your clothes."

I was starting to cross a long railroad bridge on foot. There was only a single track, and the time was 10 o'clock at night. I knew the danger of crossing the bridge, but I had been absent for months, had just alighted at the station half a mile away and was in a hurry to reach my home.

"My clothes?" I exclaimed, astonished. "If you had asked for my valuables, I would not be surprised, but my clothes are an old suit I use for traveling."

"The age doesn't matter, and the valuables goes with 'em. Come, get 'em off."

The man was armed with a bludgeon, while I had nothing for defense. "Oh, I see!" I said. "You are being hunted and want to evade your pursuers."

The fellow had a desperate look about him, and I began at once to divest myself of my garments. He hurried me, but I hoped to save some papers there were in my pocket and stopped to take them out.

"Let 'em alone," he said. "I want 'em for identification."

In a few minutes the man had on my clothes while I was obliged to put on his or go naked. I did leave off some of them, but he forced me to wear them, doubtless knowing that if they were found they would betray the exchange.

"Now," he said when we were dressed, "you go back to where the road crosses the railroad, go down the hill and cross the footbridge. When you get to the bridge, give me a whistle. I don't propose to let you get far enough to give me away before I can reach the other side of this thing, and it'll be slow walking for me."

I concluded that discretion was the better part of valor and did exactly as he directed. When I reached the footbridge, I saw his dark figure in silhouette against the sky standing where I had left him. I whistled, and he started over the bridge.

It was a mile farther to my home by the route I was forced to take, but I was relieved to get away from a desperate man and walked briskly, wondering what my wife would say to see me coming in in such wretched clothes. Suddenly I heard the sound of horses' hoofs behind me clattering over the narrow footbridge and knew the rider must be in a hurry to take such a risk. In fact, I surmised he was after the criminal, and I would have hidden to avoid trouble had there been any means of concealment. Since there was none I resolved to make a virtue of necessity, and as the horseman came up I called to him:

"If you are looking for an escaped villain, he's just crossed the railroad bridge above."

"I am looking for a criminal," he replied, covering me with a revolver, "and I reckon you're the man."

He was in police uniform, and with his revolver close to my face I made the best of the situation.

"I'll go with you. Do you know the man you're after?"

"I know that he wears a dirty yellow suit," he replied evasively, and, dismounting, he struck a match and examined my clothes.

"Not much risk about taking you in," he said. "Got any weapons?"

"No."

He searched me, finding nothing on me, then, slipping a "bracelet" on my wrist, led his horse and walked me back to the station. There was a train due from the direction I wished to go, and one had recently passed going the other way. He grumbled at not having caught the latter train and when the other came along boarded it with me and took me to a town twenty miles distant and lodged me in jail.

I was kept waiting several days for a keeper to come from the prison from which the convict had escaped. Every hour I expected my liberty. When the man arrived and looked me over, he saw that there had been a mistake. I told him my story and was released. I was so delighted to get out of a bad box that I refrained from abusing any one for my detention and, being furnished with a ticket, took a train for home. Reaching the station, I took advantage of my lesson that "haste makes waste" and instead of crossing the railroad bridge took a depot hack and rode home.

Though it was 4 o'clock in the afternoon, my house was locked and every shutter closed. I supposed my wife would be at her mother's and drove there. There was a "shut up" look about the place, but I opened the front door and marched in. A servant was in the dining room, who as soon as she saw me dropped a platter she was carrying, and it broke into fragments, accompanied by wild shrieks as she ran into the kitchen. I followed her, and she ran out the back door. Disdaining to pursue her farther, I resolved to look elsewhere for a solution of the mystery that was growing more and more astonishing. Going again into the street, I met a friend who stared at me in astonishment.

"For heaven's sake, Stivers, what does this mean?" I asked.

"Are you really alive?"

"Alive! Of course I am."

"You were buried yesterday. I know that, for I attended your funeral."

"Come, tell me all about it," I asked coaxingly.

"Why, the night you were expected home a man was killed on the railroad bridge, dressed in your clothes and having your papers in his pocket. He was mutilated beyond recognition."

I went home, while Stivers went to bring my wife. He found her in the cemetery planting flowers on my grave and watering them with her tears.

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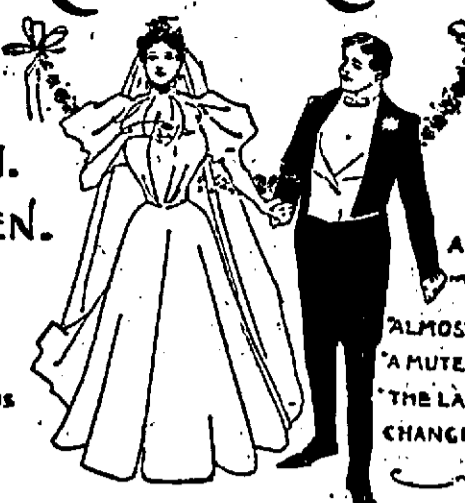
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# FROM CLUE TO CLIMAX.

BY  
**WILL N. HARBEN.**

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AUTHOR OF  
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"A MUTE CONFESSOR"  
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...I shall welcome any advice or opinion he can give. I have just begun to think I did wrong in not reporting everything to Hendricks at the start. It may have been a very necessary evil. I mean, you know, the blood on the chair.

"I begin to think so myself, now that the murderer has actually shown himself in broad daylight and attempted another life. You can easily prove an alibi. You were here all day yesterday—Matthews and I can testify to that; and, besides, I am pretty sure your movements are being watched by the police. I want you to see Hendricks, but not before we have an interview with Dr. Lampkin. He is at the Hotel Imperial. He came yesterday, and at my request has registered under an assumed name. I made an appointment with him to meet me here, and expect him every minute."

"What, so soon?" and Whidby shuddered. "Ugh! old man. I hate the subject. I am actually afraid of what he may tell me."

"Never mind; nothing can be worse than the suspense you are suffering. You will lose your reason if something is not done."

The doorbell rang. "That must be our man," said Warrenton. "Keep your seat. I told Matthews to let me answer the bell, and I will bring him in."

The next moment the colonel ushered in the visitor. He was short, thick-set, and about 45 years of age. His hair was stiff, very abundant, and dark brown, with dashes of iron-gray. His face was of the round German type; his eyes were steady gray, and shot with strange spots of brown, which, with his long lashes, gave a peculiar effect to his glance. He wore a heavy beard, which he stroked continually, in a nervous way, and a cutaway suit of ordinary gray material. His manner was very easy, and inspired confidence. On being introduced to Whidby, he held his hand tightly for a moment and looked steadily into his eyes; then he released the hand and sat down.

"I presume you have looked over the newspaper accounts I sent you, doctor," said Warrenton. "I thought they would prepare you for the slight additional information we are going to give you."

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## CHAPTER X.

The next morning after the sensation at Mayor Roundtree's, Warrenton called on Whidby.

"Well," he began, cordially, as his friend motioned him to a seat in the library and stepped back to close the door, "you've read about the shooting at the mayor's. That ought to make you feel better: it is additional proof that you are not the man."

Whidby sat down by his friend and crossed his hands over his knee.

"On the contrary, I am more miserable to-day than ever."

"Why, what is the matter?"

"Annette has just left me."

"She has been here again? How very imprudent! She ought not to have come."

"Poor little girl!" sighed Whidby. "She had heard about the shooting at the mayor's, and was so happy over it that she came right in, regardless of consequences."

"Well, surely there is nothing in such a beautiful proof of her love as that."

"Wait till I have finished," the detective interrupted. "Don't jump to conclusions. I don't think you were watching my work in the mayor's study, for you seemed on pins and needles to get away."

"You don't mean that you did not really want to write that note?"

"No, for I wanted her to do it," said the detective, with a smile, taking from his pocket the threatening letter addressed to the mayor, and the note Lillian Walters had written at his dictation. He opened them side by side on a table, and continued: "Notice this, captain: in the letter to the mayor the writer has misspelled the word received. It struck me, you see, that in nine cases out of ten a person that misspells a word once will do it again; so in my make-believe note I purposely made use of that word. You see the mistake occurs on both these sheets."

"And you infer that—"

"That the two communications were written by the same person."

"But evidently not on the same machine," said Whidby. "This is purple, and the other black."

"True; but don't you remember I surprised them all by telling Roundtree he had discarded an old machine?"

"Yes, Ah, that's a fact."

"Well, while you and the others were at the telephone, the mayor showed me upstairs to look at the grounds from the lumber-room. There I saw the typewriter, examined the ribbon, and found that it was purple and beaten in holes, as the writing in the threatening communication shows by the badly-printed letter through it."

"I understand so far," said Whidby. "But what kept you so long in the rose-bushes when you went after the umbrella? I thought you would never come."

Hendricks smiled. "I went to find her revolver. I knew it must be somewhere near. For I had seen a freshly-broken boxwood twig near the tracks, and knew that she would not have wished to be seen with the revolver after the report. I found it carefully hidden in a thick cluster of long grass about two yards from her footmarks. I would have brought it with me, but she went for it to-night, and if it were not there she would suspect that I knew."

"You have taught me a lesson," laughed Whidby. "I should have brought it away, and told the reporters about it. Shall I arrest you?"

"No, but I want you to watch her."

"I mean, you know, the blood on the chair."

to make you dependent. You ought to have been glad to see her happy, you ungrateful dog!"

"Unfortunately, she went away more miserable than she has been since the murder. I know I acted the fool. I broke my promise to you about keeping the theory of my having been hypnotized to myself. I could not help it, old man; don't scold! It is done. She expected me to be elated over the new developments, and with that bloody horror over me I simply could not be so. She worried it all out of me finally, and now she is quite undone. She turned sick and almost fainted in the library, and could hardly walk when she left the house. She went home crying at every step."

"You might have known that such a thing would horrify her."

Whidby groaned.

"Poor little darling! She begged and begged me to tell her what depressed me so. She knows very little about hypnotism, and when I tried to explain that I feared I had been made to kill my uncle with my own hands she shrieked and looked at me as if she thought I was mad."

"I am awfully sorry you told her—at least until you have had the opinion of that hypnotic doctor. He may prove to us that you were not hypnotized at all."

Whidby rose and began to pace the

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# The Salisbury Scions

How the Sons of England's Great Premier Compare With Their Sire

THE recent death of Robert Cecil, third marquess of Salisbury, chief of four cabinets of the British empire and twelve years premier of England, attracts attention to his eldest son and heir, formerly Viscount Cranborne, and induces speculation as to whether he inherits his father's commanding ability as well as his title and estates.

History has recorded until it has almost become an axiom that the sons of great men seldom become great, and it seems to be the general opinion in England that this axiom will not be reversed in the case of the late marquess's heir, for, while the new holder of the



THE NEW MARQUESS OF SALISBURY. (Formerly Viscount Cranborne.)

title is not without ability, he has as yet failed to show the qualities that made his father great.

James Edward Hubert Gascoyne Cecil, fourth marquess of Salisbury, is the eldest of a family of seven—five sons and two daughters. As the son and heir of the house of Cecil he bore the title Viscount Cranborne, which now goes to his son Robert. He began his career in politics in 1885, when twenty-four years of age, as member of parliament for Lancaster, but was retired in 1892. In 1893 he was elected from Rochester, which constituency he still represents.

During his career in parliament he has done nothing to distinguish himself either for brilliancy or ability as a statesman. Since 1900 he has been under secretary of state for foreign affairs. In January, 1902, Lord Cranborne attracted much attention in this country and abroad by a statement in the house of commons concerning the attitude of England toward the United States prior to the breaking out of the Spanish war. He said that immediately before war was declared several communications were received by the British government from other powers suggesting the presentation of a joint note to President McKinley. England agreed, expressing the hope that further negotiations might lead to a peaceful settlement, but first took steps to ascertain if such a note would be acceptable to the president.

Lord Cranborne added that the British government declined to associate itself with other subsequent proposals which seemed open to the objection of putting pressure on the American government. He declined to say by what powers the later proposals were made or to publish any papers on the subject.

The new Marquess of Salisbury was educated at Eton and Oxford and was married to Cicely, daughter of the fifth earl of Arran, about twelve years ago.



LORD EDWARD HERBERT CECIL.

His eldest son, born in 1893, if he survives his father, will one day be the fifth marquess of Salisbury.

But two other sons of the late marquess have come prominently before the public. They are Lord Edward Herbert Cecil and Lord Hugh Cecil. Lord Edward is the fourth son and has won considerable fame as a soldier. He is a major in the Grenadier guards and before the opening of hostilities was sent to South Africa on special service.

Lightning Removes Shoes. A bolt of lightning tore off the shoes of a Pennsylvania farmer near Altoona, and killed the two horses he was hurriedly driving from a field to the barn. The farmer survived.

He was shut up in Mafeking with Colonel Baden-Powell and was wounded in one of the sorties. He went with the expedition to Dongola in 1896 and was present at the taking of Omdurman and Khartum in 1898. Lord Edward is a veritable son of Anatol, and his height, which is considerably over six feet, makes him a noticeable figure in any assembly. He married in 1894 a daughter of Admiral Maxse of the British navy.

According to a story that emanated from Lord Kitchener, Lord Edward deserves as much credit as does Baden-Powell for the defense of Mafeking. Lord Kitchener relates that soon after reaching South Africa he came across a well known Dutchman who was filling large contracts for provisioning the British army, from whom he learned this incident: Just before the breaking out of hostilities the contractor received instructions to send a certain quantity of stores to Mafeking. While shipment was going forward Lord Edward Cecil called on the contractor and asked for particulars of the stores. These being supplied, he said:

"Could you send four times as much?"

"Yes, if I had authority," said the contractor.

"Very well," said Lord Edward; "you send four times as much as you have orders for, and I will give my note for the cost of the surplus quantity. If the government doesn't pay you, I will."

Considering the fact that Lord Edward's financial resources were chiefly represented by his pay as major, an undertaking to pay \$150,000 to \$200,000 out of his private purse was characteristically daring. The contractor thought he was safe in dealing with the premier's son and sent the stores. Mafeking was stocked with provisions and general stores four times as great in quantity as the authorities thought was sufficient. According to Lord Kitchener's testimony, it is how Mafeking managed to hold out.

Lord Hugh Richard Heathcote Cecil, fifth and youngest son of the late premier, like his elder brother, is a member of parliament, having represented



LORD HUGH CECIL.

Greenwich since 1893. He is a typical Cecil in appearance and temperament. Those who are old enough to remember his father as a young man say that Lord Hugh is the very duplicate of his famous progenitor. He is regarded as the infant terrible of his party, but was idolized by the old marquess, who looked upon the young man as the successor to the family honors in the political arena. The dead statesman, it is said, long ago gave up the hope once centered in his eldest son and heir. It is to Lord Hugh that the Cecils look for their continued glorification.

Tall, thin as a reed, very pallid, very nervous—his long, thin hands shake for half an hour before he is going to make a speech—he looks more like a hungry curate than the free lance politician of thirty-four. He has great powers of eloquence, is unusually quick, belligerent in manner, unresponsive to the most urgent appeal for moderation or reason other than that which agrees with his own set views and has an unhappy manner of making enemies of his intimate friends.

But he is a Cecil all over, even to the family stoop and the shabbiness of his clothes. He was of course born in politics. After leaving school he was made private secretary to his father, who was then foreign minister, and, being a good Tory, as well as his father's son, was in due time elected member from Greenwich. He represented his electors so creditably and respectably, for he always managed to get his name into the papers, thus giving Greenwich a boost in its own estimation, that he was elected again, and he bids fair to represent Greenwich for the rest of his political life, which promises to be long, strenuous and interesting.

The halo of the Cecil name protects him from abuse, and the prestige of it gives him a power that another young man of equal ability could not command. In England he is regarded as the ablest of the sons of the late leader and a possible prime minister in the distant future. But he has a long and rugged road ahead of him and many difficulties to overcome before he reaches that eminence, if he ever does.

Suicide in German Army. A private in the German army is reported to have committed suicide "by the common device of exploding a blank cartridge in a rifle, the barrel of which was filled with water."

## THE FISHERMAN'S PET CROW.

A Bird That Went to Church, Though Not to Service, Every Sunday.

"You will find pet crows alongshore," said a fisherman, "just as you might anywhere else. I knew a fisherman once that had one he got out of its nest when it was little, and brought up in his home. He never clipped its wings, and it used to go out and be gone, maybe for hours, perhaps for days, but it knew where it could get warm and where the best things to eat were, and it always came back. If any of the family saw it coming they would let it in; if they didn't see it the crow would sit on the railing by the door and wait to be let in; and, if nobody heard the cawing, it would peek at the door with its beak. It used to sleep in the house, and was on friendly terms with the whole household. The name of the crow's owner was William; his friends used to call him Bill. When mealtime came the crow would perch on the back of Bill's chair, and every now and then Bill would reach up over his shoulder something nice for the crow to eat.

"Every Sunday morning the crow used to go to church, and it never used to go any other time. It knew the sexton. The sexton was a fisherman, too, like everybody along the beach, and he was superintendent of the Sunday school, and a big man in the church generally. The crow used to go over to the church and sit on the doorstep Sunday morning and wait for the sexton to come, and when he did come and open the door, the crow would go in with him. The church was heated by a big stove, and while the sexton was building the fire the crow would sit on the back of a pew close by and look on. Sometimes, when the sexton was working away over the stove the crow would hitch along on the pew rail and caw to him; and sometimes the sexton would turn around and smile at the crow and maybe say something friendly, and then the crow would perk its head over on one side and caw and caw, and then the sexton would smile again and go on building the fire. He would put in a section of old tarred netting to start the fire with, something that every fisherman uses if he has got it, and the best thing in the world to start a fire with, and then he would build up the fire and light it, and when it had got well a-going and he had made everything snug he would leave the church until it was pretty near time for the service to begin; and when he went the crow would go with him. I think the crow would sometimes have stayed in the church, but of course that wouldn't do, and when the sexton was ready he would call the crow and the crow would follow him out, and they would separate where they had met, on the steps of the church. The sexton lived about half a mile away in one direction, and the crow lived close by in the other, and when the sexton had gone the crow would go over to its home and peek on the door, and they would let him in.

"Everybody around knew this crow, and nobody ever molested it. The crow itself took chances. Sometimes it flocked with other crows and then it was in danger of being shot; but nobody ever shot at it when it was alone. When they saw it fly by they said:

"There goes Bill's crow." — N. Y. Sun.

## EXACTING DISCIPLINE.

The Cruel Severity of an Unmerciful Father.

Philip Gilbert Hamerton was, during his childhood, the victim of a severe and cruel discipline. His father was a man of ungovernable temper and irregular life, who had no sympathy with childish foibles, and whose only idea of educating a boy was to "make a man of him."

His method of teaching a lad to ride was to accompany him on a vicious black horse, and when little Philip erred in any of the observances of good riders, to punish him with his joddy hunting whip. The whip had a steel hammer at the end of a long handle; and if at any time the owner fancied that the child was turning out his toes, he would not say anything, but with cruel dexterity he would bring the whip down, sharp enough to make him writhe with pain.

Yet this Spartan severity had its valuable side. The elder Hamerton understood the importance of concentration, and if he saw the boy occupied with several books, would say:

"Take one of those books and read it steadily. Don't potter and play with half a dozen."

What he hated most was a lie or the shadow of a lie, and so bitter was this aversion that Philip was sometimes punished unjustly. He was expected to practice with dumb-bells 15 minutes every morning. This exercise was taken in the garden, but before beginning he always looked at the clock in the sitting-room. One day the father met him and asked:

"Have you done your 15 minutes?"

"Yes, papa."

"That is not true," said his aunt, from the next room. "He has only practiced for ten minutes; look at the clock."

The hand stood at ten minutes past 11; and though the boy protested that he had begun at ten minutes before the hour, the "additional lie" put his father in a fury, and he was ordered to practice continually for two hours. And though the child was ready to drop with fatigue long before the 120 minutes were over, not one of them was remitted.—Youth's Companion.

## Just Shrewd Judgment.

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